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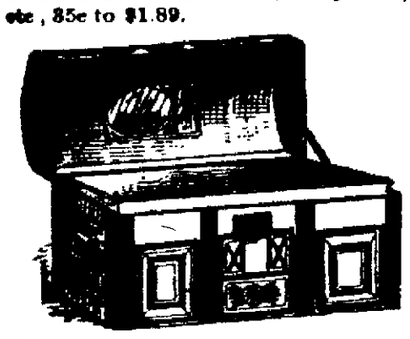
THE FAIR.

SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS.—The time was when Santa Claus manufactured his own gifts. But since we have gone in the toy business he finds they can be bought cheaper than he can make them. The first thing when he rides in town is to enquire if it has a SYNDICATE FAIR STORE, and he comes early, is much too wise to wait until the final rush, when the best has been selected, and just what he wants is sold. Below are a few of his special orders. We are satisfied he knows what to order that pleases old as well as young.

We think he has a large place in his heart for little girls as he nearly always begins on

DOLLS.

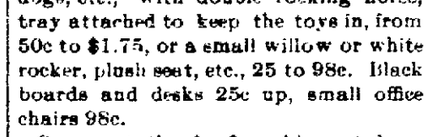
He buys the J. D. K. kid doll, the very best on the market, from 10c to $3 50, and the prettiest dressed doll, 18 inches, in different colors, with hat to match, for 25c. Talk about jointed dress dolls. You should see his smile when examining their silk and satin dresses, fancy hats, etc., 35c to $1.89.



Trunks come next to pack their clothes in with tray, lock and key, 25 to 98c.

Doll Carriages

And go-carts. Upholstered, parasol, etc., 25c to $2.50. Then we know very well he leaves the little girls for a time to find something jolly for the boys. How he does rattle it off. Sleighs that just suit them from 25c up. Stationary engines, magic lanterns, swords, steel toys, they can bang about, from 10c up. Rocking horses, tool chests, pocket knives, tops, violins, horns, drums, etc., from 10c up. We wish you might see him when he reaches the games. Think he will need more reindeers to draw those large regular 50c games for 22c; blocks for 10c that sell elsewhere for 25c. One thing we will just whisper so the mamas won't hear. He never forgets the



Them back to the girls again, for they as well as the boys, love those lovely books for 5 and 10c and what all mamas are paying 35c for he gets at 22c, and those bright lithographed linen books at 5c, everyone else sells for 10c.

He knows no girl's house is complete without a piano to accompany her brother's horn.

Now back he comes for another load. This time it is white cradles, gold knobs, etc., 25c up, with white dressers to match. Toilet stand, all complete. Extension tables, from 25 to 98c. Oak side boards, high chairs, dishes, china and britannia; 4 bottled castors 10c; Bissel's toy sweeper that does the work as well as the larger ones at [illegible]c. Oh yes; we nearly forgot the kitchen. Here is the iron stove and furniture, 25c up, iron and stand 5c, brooms 5 and 10c, dust pans 5c, wash sets, etc. Then there is the baby's stocking to be filled with bright rattles, rubber toys, [illegible] dolls, chimes, cows, sheep, donkeys, horses, dogs, etc., with double rocking horse, tray attached to keep the toys in, from 50c to $1.75, or a small willow or white rocker, plush seat, etc., 25 to 98c. Black boards and desks 25c up, small office chairs 98c.

Our reputation for fine china at cheap prices is so well established it seems a waste of time to mention it. But we have so many new pretty pieces that we want you to know about, in comb and brush trays 25c, bread plates 25c to $1.50, dainty cups and saucers 10 to 98c, salads 25c to $1.50, celery trays, celery salts to match, bread and butter plates, chocolate pots, cracker jars, condensed milk jars, fern jars, pudding sets, frames, placques, shaving mugs, ink stands, syrup jars, candle sticks, oat meal sets.

Game sets, with platters and 12 plates to match, pin trays, bone dishes, olive dishes, jardinnirs, bric-a-brac, bisque figures, etc.

If you want Rodgers' A No. 1 table ware for half the price you have been paying, we are ready for you with a full line A. D. spoons, tea, table and dessert spoons, sugar shells, butter knives, berry spoons, cold meat forks, child's set, knife, fork and spoon, etc.

Sterling Silver Novelties

You could hardly believe without seeing the STAMP could be sold so cheap. We can fill your toilet table, desk, work basket, etc., with useful as well as ornamental novelties.

Or if you have more money than you wish to spend, we have the purses to keep it in.

We have much the largest line of handkerchiefs in the city. Warranted all linen from 5c each to 75c to $1.50 per box.

Also full line perfumes and atomizers.

You Know

Your wife has hinted time and again for a dinner set. Now is the time to please her. We have a line to choose from that you cannot fail to please her. Will guarantee every piece to not craze. Just go round, get prices, come to us last. Look at the potter's stamp and see if we do not do as we advertise. Sell the best for the least money.

Some of you need a lamp or toilet set more than a dinner set. Well we are all right on those also.

Owing to our immense order for lamps for our six stores, we have been a little late in getting the line complete. But we are now ready to show a line that has never been equalled in Middletown. Our lamps are PERFECT, latest styles, tasty decoration, simple construction, best of workmanship and finish, central draft insuring a perfectly clear and steady white light, no flickering and no smoking.

THE SYNDICATE FAIR STORE,

No. 8 EAST MAIN ST., MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.

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On Christmas Morn

With a pair of our reading glasses you may bring the same joyful smile-beam on the face of this old lady to your good old mother or father

THINK, AND LOOK AND READ.

But you will find no present that will please as well and be of such genuine

Every Day Usefulness as a Pair of Good Glasses, My Kind.

A thorough and scientific examination FREE before or after presentation. I Do Repairing

FRED MOULE,

The Only Exclusive Optician in the City,

NO. 5 WEST MAIN ST., UP STAIRS.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.

Office Hours—8 a. m. to 6 p. m. Open evenings from 7 to 9 until X-mas

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FOR SALE—Handsome new cottage on Albert street, nine rooms, hot air, all modern improvements.

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FINE Assortment of oil dressed Chamois Skin, for lamp shields, vests etc. Can be washed and will dry soft, 10c to $1 at

JOHN J. CHAMBERS', Druggist, 37 North St., near postoffice.

JOS. VUOLO, 91 Fulton street. Full line of fine shoes. New line of overshoes of all kinds. Men's and boys' arctics and felt boots for winter. Repairing neatly done while you wait at very reasonable prices.

NO 91 FULTON STREET.

HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT!

We have completed our preparations for the approaching holidays, and suggest that an early visit will afford better opportunities for deliberation and the advantage of a complete stock to select from.

Men's Velvet Slippers,	50c
Men's Brown Imitation Alligator Slippers,	50c
Men's Black Imitation Alligator Slippers,	50c
Men's Velvet Slippers 75c. Men's Tan Vici Opera Slippers,	$1
Men's Black Vici Opera Slippers $1 Boys' Black Velvet Slippers,	60c
Boys' Tan Pearl Everett, 60c Youths' Velvet Everett,	50c
Ladies' Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.25
Ladies' Black Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.25
Misses' Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.00
Children's Red Romeo, Fur Trimmed Slippers,	$1.00

Selections made now will be set aside until called for, or delivered any time previous to Christmas

SAMUELS' ONE PRICE SHOE STORE,

No. 11 North St., Middletown.

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"A HANDFUL OF DIRT MAY BE A HOUSEFUL OF SHAME." CLEAN HOUSE WITH

SAPOLIO

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

An Extra Large Stock of the Finest Perfumes, Toilet Sets, Celluloid Goods, Aluminum Ware,

Cut Glass Bottles, Atomizers, Mirrors, etc. We have the goods and the prices are right.

TUTHILL'S PHARMACIES, 27 James and North corner Cortland street

THE PEACE TREATY.

Its Ratification a Foregone Conclusion.

DEMOCRATS WITHDRAW OPPOSITION.

Fight on Expansion Will Be Made After the Treaty Is Ratified. Clark Howell's View of the Political Situation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Hon. Clark Howell, member of the Democratic national committee from Georgia and editor of the Atlanta Constitution, after consulting with the leaders of both of the political parties at Washington, telegraphed the following to his paper last night:

"With the adjournment of congress for the holidays the final decision on the peace treaty is as clear as it will be after a vote has been taken in the senate. Two weeks ago the matter was in doubt; today it is as certain that the treaty will be ratified as it will be that it has been after the vote has been taken.

"Mr. Bryan has been in Washington for several days and has conferred frequently and freely with the Democratic leaders in both the senate and the house. He has advised ratification of the treaty, and he is outspoken in the opinion that aside from the question of national obligation it is a matter of party policy for the Democrats to throw no obstacle in the way of ratification. There are leading Democrats of both the senate and house who less than a week ago were in doubt as to whether or not Democrats should assist in ratifying the treaty. More than that, some of them were outspoken in the opinion that it was perhaps better to reject it. Today many of these Democratic leaders take open position that the treaty should be ratified, and that it will be no one who has studied the situation from the inside can have any reasonable doubt. It must not be understood that the ratification of the treaty will carry with it the assumption that all those who vote affirmatively are in favor of national expansion across the Pacific. Of the senators who will vote in favor of the treaty there will be Republicans as well as Democrats who are opposed in principle as well as in theory to the transoceanic expansion of our national domain. They take, however, and very properly, the view that the question of expansion, per se, is not involved in the consideration of the peace treaty and that after the treaty has been ratified and Spain has been eliminated as a factor in the Philippine problem it will be time enough to consider the policy to be pursued in dealing with the Philippines, and just here will come the real contest on the question of expansion."

Mr. Howell then says that after the treaty has been finally disposed of a resolution will be introduced making declaration of the proposed policy of this government in dealing with the Philippines and that this resolution will be framed very much on the basis of the Cuban resolution adopted coincident with the declaration of war, in which it was declared that the policy of this government would be to give the people of Cuba a free and independent government of their own.

Mr. Howell says: "It is the determination to present a resolution of this kind as a rallying point for the expansion and antiexpansion elements, both Democrats and Republicans, that takes from the consideration of the peace treaty such doubt as might have existed as to the outcome and which now makes its ratification a foregone conclusion."

Mr. Howell further says that "the vote on this proposed resolution will not be confined by any means to party lines, and the outcome is in doubt. A large majority of the Democrats will vote in favor of it, and a large majority of the Republicans will vote against it, but the size of either minority is sufficiently involved in doubt as to render exceedingly questionable the final action that will be taken on the resolution."

He says: "The Republicans as a body will favor the ratification of the peace treaty and will oppose any further action. They will hold that it will be time enough to cross the Philippine bridge when they get to it, and in the meantime the islands should be held under strict military government and that, if in God's own time it is demonstrated that the Filipinos are able to take care of themselves and desire to maintain a government of their own, it will be time enough for the United States to take up the question and act accordingly."

Mr. Howell's summary concludes as follows:

"As the result of the final encounter over the resolution it may be that the country will witness the spectacle of badly severed party lines and that out of it may be furnished the battle cries around which will be formed the lines of the next presidential fight."

Indians Want Their Wampum.

SYRACUSE Dec. 22.—The case of the Onondaga nation against John Boyd Thacher of Albany for the recovery of several belts of wampum, said to be owned by the Indians, is ready for trial in the supreme court in this city. John T. Delahanty represents Mr. Thacher and Edward Winslow Paige of New York the Onondagas. Harriet Converse is backing the Indians.

Dropped Dead on the Street.

SCHENECTADY N. Y., Dec. 22.—In the presence of scores of holiday shoppers John Cole, aged 45 years, dropped dead yesterday on State street. He was looking at a window filled with Christmas goods.

Japan's Land Tax Increased.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 22.—The lower house of the Japanese diet has passed a bill increasing the land tax, fixing the rate at 3 1-3 per cent. The bill will probably pass the house of peers.

FIRST NEW YORKERS HOME.

Companies A, B and D Welcomed at Albany.

ALBANY, Dec. 22.—The citizens of Albany last night paid a glowing tribute to Companies A, B and D of the First New York volunteer regiment on their return from Honolulu. The people turned out en masse, burned red fire by the ton, discharged all manner of fireworks and cheered themselves hoarse in honor of the returning soldiers. The men were met at the station by the One Hundred and Tenth battalion, which was organized to take the place they had occupied as a national guard organization, and by all the organizations, military and civic, in the city and escorted over a short route of march to the state armory.

At the armory mothers, wives, sisters, sweethearts and friends were in waiting, and all the men, irrespective of acquaintanceship, were Hobsonized, the women vying with each other to see who could kiss the most soldiers the most times. The men all appeared to be in excellent physical condition. There were but ten of them ailing, and none of these was seriously ill.

Company L Arrives In Newburg.

NEWBURG, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Company L, First New York volunteers, reached home yesterday afternoon from Honolulu. With them was Company I of Middletown, but the latter company immediately departed for home. The Newburg company was received with great enthusiasm and was paraded through town amid cheering thousands, having as an escort the firemen, two local military companies, G. A. R. posts and civic societies. They were dismissed at the armory and ordered to report again in 30 days. No member of the company died in service, but 13 sick were left in hospitals at Honolulu. A banquet will be served a week later at the armory.

Company I at Middletown.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Company I, First New York volunteers, was given a lively reception on its return last evening from Honolulu. Ten thousand people of the city and vicinity crowded the streets in spite of snow and slush and met the soldiers with fireworks and unlimited enthusiasm. Torpedoes lined the Erie railroad tracks from a point a mile outside the city, and red fire burned in all sections. When the company's armory was reached, a short address of welcome was made by Mayor Elect Elwood, and then the company broke ranks to greet relatives.

GOVERNOR ROOSEVELT'S AIDS.

General Roe Announces the Appointments to the Military Staff.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Major General Roe of the national guard has announced in general orders the appointment of the military aids to Governor Elect Roosevelt as follows:

"From the First brigade, First Lieutenant David S. Iglehart, One Hundred and Twelfth regiment.

"From the Second brigade, Captain George A. Wingate, Two Hundred and Thirty-first regiment.

"From the Third brigade, Captain James M. Andrews, Second regiment, Thirty-sixth separate company, and First Lieutenant Adrian W. Mather, Tenth battalion.

"From the Fourth brigade, Lieutenant Colonel William H. Chapin, Jr., Sixty-fifth regiment, and First Lieutenant F. J. Miller, Forty-first separate company.

"From the Fifth brigade, Second Lieutenant James W. Cleveland, Seventh regiment.

"From the cavalry, First Lieutenant James K. Prentice, Squadron A.

"From the artillery, First Lieutenant William L. Flanagan, Second battery.

"The above officers are hereby detailed for duty as aids, commencing Jan. 1, 1899, and will wear the aiglet with the uniform of their respective organizations."

Burned to Death In a Boiler.

ANSONIA, Conn., Dec. 22.—George Royd, aged 30, an employee of the Farrell Foundry and Machine company, died at his home last night as the result of burns received while working in the inside of one of the company's upright boilers Tuesday. The fire had been out for several hours, but in some mysterious manner there was a rush of steam which enveloped him, and he was not only severely scalded, but also inhaled some of the steam.

Suicide of Mount Vernon Man.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A man supposed to be David Bussing of Mount Vernon, N. Y., was found dead in bed at the Astor Place hotel, on Third avenue, last night. He committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas. Letters and papers in his pockets were addressed to Bussing. The Mount Vernon authorities have been communicated with.

Thorneycrofts to Build Shamrock.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Yachting World apparently confirms the report that Sir Thomas Lipton has intrusted the building of the Shamrock, challenger for the America's cup, to the Thorneycrofts. The paper adds that the yacht will be built at Poplar. The Thorneycrofts have never yet constructed a racing yacht.

Panama Canal Concession.

COLON, Colombia, Dec. 22.—Dispatches from Senor J. M. Marroquin, vice president of Colombia, now at Bogota, and from Senator Zubieta confirm the report that the Colombian congress will grant the Panama Canal company such an extension of time under its concession as may be necessary to complete the canal.

Wire Tapper's Big Haul.

MONTREAL, Dec. 22.—The National Horse Exchange poolroom in this city has been "done up" for about $3,000 by a man who called himself Von Spiegel of New York. It is supposed that the wires were tapped at the wrong houses, the ones upon which the stranger placed his bets, were sent in.

MERRITT TESTIFIES.

Follows Miles on the Inquiry Witness Stand.

PHILIPPINE EXPEDITION A SUCCESS.

Would Conduct It on Same Lines If He Had It to Do Over—Army Well Supplied—Praise For His Troops.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the United States army, and General Wesley Merritt, commander of the American forces at the capture of Manila, were the principal figures before the war investigating commission yesterday. General Miles responded to the summons of the commission only after several days' consideration. He was accompanied by his own stenographer. His examination was comparatively brief and not sensational. He spoke with some bitterness as to the "embalmed beef" and the canned beef furnished the army in the field. This he characterized as an experiment for which "some one in Washington" was responsible. He said that the landing facilities of the Santiago expedition were inadequate and that the men were short of rations and medicines and might have been better protected from exposure to fever contagion.

General Merritt told the commission that he regarded the Philippine expedition as a decided success and would conduct it on the same lines if he had to do it over. He spoke in high terms of the troops under him and said his army was well supplied with medicines and food.

He began his testimony by a description of the operations around Manila prior to its capture. Owing to the smallness of his force, he said, the army was compelled to operate along the sea front in co-operation with the navy. Had there been a larger American force on hand the city could have been taken from the high ground inland, but this was tactically impracticable without leaving our base at the mercy of both Spaniards and insurgents. The city's defenses were good. The Spaniards had excellent arms and plenty of ammunition. All they lacked was "sand." The engagement lasted not over two hours. The army had both Spaniards and insurgents to contend with. "The insurgents were very anxious to take part in the attack," said General Merritt, "but they were not notified when the attack would be made, as I was sure the entrance of the Filipinos into the city would mean unnecessary bloodshed and some looting."

General Merritt said the American losses were not correctly stated in the press reports. They were about 120 officers and men killed and wounded. No accurate account of the Spanish loss was ever obtainable. The American force, however, captured over 13,000 stands of modern arms, and the Spanish loss was known to be severe.

There was some discussion on the commission over the relative merits of the Springfield and the modern small caliber rifle. This drew from General Merritt the statement that personally he should prefer the Springfield with smokeless powder to the caliber 30 or the Mauser.

"However, some of the line officers would be better judges of that," he added.

As an instance of the lack of stopping power of the small bore rifles, he said one of his officers was shot through the leg in the Manila fight and did not know it till the next morning.

General Merritt said in reply to questions that the volunteers were as effective and as enthusiastic as could be desired. He regarded them as very excellent troops.

The supplies were satisfactory at all times except as to ice and milk for fever patients. He explained this by saying that there was apparently no milk producing animals in that region. There were some small cattle apparently imported from China, but they gave no milk to speak of.

As to medical supplies and hospital conveniences, General Merritt said he had heard no complaint. On entering the city the army took possession of all the good houses it needed and turned them over to the medical department. The sick and wounded were thus well provided for.

The army in the island depended upon local stock for transportation. This proved quite satisfactory, and he doubted the advisability of importing American horses or mules.

Asked if he had the cordial and effective support of the administration, General Merritt said: "From the president I had the most hearty sympathy and support and that of the cabinet also of the various departments. The only thing of which I might feel I had a right to complain was not having some contingent of regulars to act as a nucleus even if they had to be taken from Tampa. I should like to have had that Fifteenth regular regiment, but I was told that I could not have it unless I furnished something to take its place. But I made the most I could of the situation and distributed my staff officers to aid and instruct the volunteer officers and then the men. This worked very well, and I was personally thanked as were my staff officers for this service."

General Merritt paid quite as high a tribute to his Canadian staff officers as did General Shafter the previous day, saying: "They were good officers, intelligent and ready to work."

Postmaster Indicted.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 22.—The United States court grand jury has brought in two indictments this noon against Frank E. Foss, ex postmaster at Hill, for the embezzlement of United States funds. Foss pleaded not guilty on both counts. His bail was reduced from $5,000 to $2,000, and he will be tried at the March term of court.

HITCHCOCK CONFIRMED.

Senate Ratifies His Nomination as Secretary of the Interior.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The senate yesterday confirmed the nomination of Ethan Allen Hitchcock to be secretary of the interior.

Ethan Allen Hitchcock, present embassador to Russia, appointed by President McKinley to succeed Cornelius N. Bliss as secretary of the interior, was until his acceptance of the Russian mission the head of the Pittsburg Glass company in St. Louis.

Mr. Hitchcock was born at Mobile 63 years ago. He is a great-grandson of Colonel Ethan Allen, the hero of Ticonderoga; a grandson of Samuel Hitchcock, who was prominent in the early history of Vermont, and a son of Henry Hitchcock, who was chief justice of the supreme court of Alabama.

Mr. Hitchcock went to St. Louis in 1851 and engaged in business there up to 1860, when, at the urgent request of relatives, he left for China as the representative of important business interests. Returning to St. Louis in 1874, Mr. Hitchcock was up to the time of his appointment as minister to Russia actively engaged in business in St. Louis as president of several large manufacturing and railway corporations, which positions he resigned to accept the portfolio tendered him by President McKinley.

He and the president became close friends when Mr. McKinley was framing his tariff law. Mr. Hitchcock was at Washington frequently in connection with the making of tariff schedules on glass and naturally became intimate with the then chairman of the ways and means committee of the house.

Testimonial to General Wood.

SANTIAGO, Dec. 22.—Considerable annoyance is felt here that the postmaster did not forward the mails by the United States cruiser Cincinnati, which left here Tuesday night for Havana. They could have been transferred at Havana to the Plant line steamer so as to reach New York by Tuesday next. As it is, they must await the steamer Seneca, which will not leave Santiago until next Monday. In this way three weeks elapse between mails. Senor Bacardi, the mayor, on behalf of the city council, will present a testimonial to Major General Leonard Wood congratulating him upon his recent promotion and thanking him for the great work he has done here. The testimonial will also express the thanks of the council to President McKinley for recognizing General Wood's services. The presentation will be made on Friday, and a copy of the testimonial will be sent to President McKinley.

Congress Adjourns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Both houses of congress adjourned yesterday afternoon to reassemble Jan. 4. Nothing of importance was done in the senate yesterday. In the house nine pension bills and the relief bills were passed. Mr. Bailey's resolution directing the judiciary committee to investigate and report upon the question as to whether the members of the house who had accepted commissions in the army during the late war had by so doing vacated their seats in the house was reported and adopted.

Pardon For Man Once Hanged.

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 22.—Governor McLaurin has pardoned Will Purvis, the famous Marion county whitecapper. Purvis was hanged some years ago for the murder of a fellow whitecapper, but was not killed, and owing to the threatening attitude of the mob the sheriff did not try again to execute him. Purvis was subsequently rescued and hidden away, but he finally surrendered, and his sentence was commuted to life imprisonment.

Bills Signed by the President.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The president has signed the following bills: Providing for a national exposition in Philadelphia in 1899 and appropriating therefore; amending the laws relating to American seamen, for the protection of such seamen and to promote commerce; concerning sail vessels of over 700 tons and for other purposes; to regulate the sitting of the United States courts within the district of South Carolina; to amend the revised statutes relating to consul and vice consul generals, consuls and vice consuls and commercial agents.

Erne and Hawkins Matched.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Frank Erne of Buffalo and Dal Hawkins of San Francisco have been matched to fight 25 rounds at the lightweight limit, 133 pounds, before the club offering the best inducements and also a side bet of $2,000. In all probability the bout will take place on the Pacific coast some time in February, as several California clubs have made bids to secure the contest.

Will Try to Raise Reina Mercedes.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Among the fog-bound fleet anchored off Staten Island yesterday was the Merritt & Chapman wrecking steamer I. J. Merritt, bound for Santiago. She will make an attempt to raise the Spanish cruiser Reina Mercedes, sunk off the Morro.

Prince George's First Proclamation.

KHANIA, Dec. 22.—Prince George has issued a proclamation promising to govern with justice and impartiality, securing liberty to all without distinction. Last evening he drove through the brilliantly illuminated streets and was enthusiastically cheered by the inhabitants, many of whom carried torches.

Death of Rev. D. A. Holbrook.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Rev. David Aurbier Holbrook, A. M., Ph. D., died yesterday at Sing Sing from a stroke of apoplexy. He was the head of the Holbrook & Sons' military and classical school of Sing Sing.

Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22. The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed in Pennsylvania: Adamsville, Mary Gamble; Smithmill, G. W. Stiles; Wheatland, Edwin Goodall.

Ex-Sheriff of Rockland Dead.

NYACK, N. Y., Dec. 22. Ex-Sheriff William Hutton of Rockland county died last night at his home in Nanuet. He was 70 years of age and prominent throughout the county. For years he was postmaster at Nanuet.

Prosecution in Botkin Case Closes.

SAN FRANCISCO Dec. 22. The prosecution in the case of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin, charged with the murder of Mrs John P. Dunning and her sister, Mrs Deane, closed its case yesterday.

THE UNRULY CUBANS

Hang Weyler and Terrorize Spanish Shopkeepers.

EVACUATING HAVANA'S SUBURBS.

One More Free From Spaniards—Major Harrison Sets Guards Over Spanish Houses and Factories—Missouri Arrives.

HAVANA, Dec. 22.—Effigies of General Weyler hung yesterday afternoon in Cerro, the suburb, surrounded by jeering crowds, while small processions marched and countermarched along the streets, shouting constantly. Business is virtually suspended in consequence of the rejoicings over the evacuation. In some instances bands of Cubans have visited Spanish shopkeepers and compelled them to shout "Viva Cuba libre!" and to wave Cuban flags.

Senora Farres, the lady who entertained the Cuban generals Sanguily and Lacret and other Cuban officers at a dance at her residence in Cerro Tuesday evening, sent a message to the United States military commissioners, suggesting that the Spanish soldiery might invade Cerro and raid her home. Major Harrison, though taking no account of her fears, stationed two guards in front of her residence.

Last evening the Cuban generals Mayia Rodriguez, Mario Menocal, Vidal and Julio Sanguily, with other Cuban officers, were entertained at Jesus del Monte, another Havana suburb.

Printed papers insulting to the Spaniards and threatening to kill them after Jan. 1 continue to be circulated in various parts of the island. The alcalde of Santiago de las Vegas has seized large quantities of such clandestine prints and burned them.

The Cuban patriotic committees are planning for a five days' feast after Jan. 1, during which all business is to be suspended.

The United States hospital ship Missouri, which left Savannah on Dec. 18, arrived here yesterday with 50 nurses and 350 members of the hospital corps.

The Fourth Virginia regiment marched yesterday to Quemados camp.

It now appears that the raising of the stars and stripes over Fort Atares Tuesday by Major Russell B. Harrison was a surprise to both the United States and the Spanish military commissioners. The American commissioners had agreed that no American flags should be raised until Jan. 1. Major Harrison did not know this, and when told to occupy the fort with a detachment of the First North Carolina regiment he promptly raised the flag. Nevertheless, though it flies in full sight of the harbor and city, the Spaniards have not complained, and it has not been ordered down.

Major William Ludlow, military governor of the city of Havana, arrived from the United States yesterday and has had a long conference with General Greene.

The United States and Spanish military commissioners will meet on Friday to arrange the details of the final taking over of the city on Jan. 1.

The Spanish troops withdrew last night from the strip of Havana that lies west of Chaves creek, the American guards being immediately moved up. The sentries of both forces are now on the bridge, but amicable relations are maintained.

A Spanish paper manufacturer complained to General Lee last evening that the Cuban general Julio Sanguily had called upon him and ordered him to display Cuban and American flags from his place on penalty of death for refusal. General Lee immediately had guards stationed at the factory.

Tuesday night several shots were fired from a cigar factory in Cerro at houses of Cubans near by. The proprietor, believing that they were fired by Spaniards, complained to Major Harrison, who announced that if the firing were repeated the factory would be closed.

Sagasta and Weyler.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—"The Madrid correspondent of The Standard says: "Much surprise is expressed that Senor Sagasta should be seeking a rather compromising alliance with the Weyler party. It is supposed that his idea is to compensate for the loss of some 30 senators and 60 deputies who seceded with Senor Gamazo, the leader of the dissenting Liberals. General Weyler is coming here to confer with the premier, who is expected to accept also the advances of Senor Romero y Robledo and Senor Jose Ganalejas. This political trimming may prolong the existence of the cabinet, but many influential Liberals absolutely decline to accept the suggested allies, while the Conservatives refuse to believe that the queen regent will consent to such a solution of the grave crisis."

Fire in North Andover.

NORTH ANDOVER, Mass., Dec. 22.—Fire broke out on the top floor of the North Andover Cotton mill here yesterday and burned out the two upper stories, causing damage estimated at $30,000, fully insured. The mill is owned by the heirs of the Eben Sutton estate.

Whisky Crisis In England Averted.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—A dispatch from Glasgow says that the examination of the affairs of Pattison's Bonded Warehouse company shows that the concern will pay 20 shillings in the pound, and the threatened whisky crisis is thus averted.

Pope Writes to Don Carlos.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Rome correspondent of The Daily Chronicle says, "In response to another appeal from the queen regent of Spain, the pope has confidentially written to Don Carlos, asking him to stop the Carlist agitation."

Defaulting Bank President Sick.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Dec. 22.—Lewis J. Warner, the defaulting bank president, is confined to a bed in the county jail. He is sick and may not be able to appear in court when his case comes up next week.

The Mustering Out.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Nothing definite has been decided by the war department as to the regiments which will be included in the 50,000 volunteers to be mustered out. It is said, however, that they will be distributed as equitably as possible among the several states and in a general way the first regiments mustered in will be the first to go out.

STANDARD OIL BOOKS BURNED?

Attorney General of Ohio Says He Has Testimony to That Effect.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 22. — Attorney General Monnett said last night that the Standard Oil company has taken desperate means to keep certain evidence from being introduced in the case now on hearing before Commissioner Allen T. Brinsmade. Mr. Monnett says that the evidence given by teamsters in the employ of the Standard Oil company, who had been induced to work overtime, was that they had upon Oct. 19, as near as he could make out, hauled a wagon load of boxes containing books from the main office of the company on Euclid avenue to the furnaces of the works.

The witnesses on the part of the state who told the facts of this carting away of books did so very reluctantly, as they said they were afraid of losing their jobs. This was true in the case of Rabbi Darmstetter, who knew the facts, but said that if he told them members of his congregation would be discharged from their employment.

"My job is gone if I have to testify," said one of the men.

Rabbi Darmstetter said that one of the men in the saloon was quite hilarious and was asked, "Why are you fellows doing so much treating?"

Two of the men then engaged in a conversation and, showing a roll of bills, said that they had got some good stuff working overtime. One of them, who was a teamster, said that he and another teamster had loaded up a lot of books at the Euclid avenue office of the Standard Oil company and had taken them to the company's furnaces, where they were burned.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

An incendiary fire in Malden, Mo., destroyed 25 business houses.

Fire in Montréal destroyed two large dry goods houses; loss, $500,000.

Frederick, son of Baron von Hartmann of Cologne, Germany, has been sent to prison in Indiana for burglary.

Prince George of Greece, the high commissioner of the powers, arrived at Crete and was saluted by forts and fleet.

A tribal war over the selection of a king is feared in Samoa, and foreign residents are anxious for naval protection.

Andrew J. Smith, governor of the Soldiers' home at Santa Monica, Cal., has resigned because his life had been threatened twice.

A collision between freight trains of the New Jersey Central and Delaware and Hudson railroads occurred near Yatesville, Pa., and three persons were injured.

Two persons were killed and six injured in a collision near Rahway, N. J., between the southern express and the Pittsburg flier on the Pennsylvania railroad.

Chicago's Franchise War.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Mayor Harrison was summoned to appear before the grand jury yesterday to tell everything he knows about the use of "boodle" during the recent fight over the Lyman franchise bill in the common council. The grand jury investigated the granting of 50 year franchises to Yerkes and other magnates who operate street car systems in the town of Cicero, a suburb. The ordinances were passed early on a Tuesday morning, when the opponents of the measure were not present. To secure a majority the members of the town board hustled a fellow trustee, who was seriously ill, to the town hall, plied him with stimulants until he had cast his vote and then carted him back to his sickbed.

Lynchers Foiled.

DECATUR, Ala., Dec. 22.—William Simms, a private of Company E, First Alabama regiment, who shot and killed Bud Norton of Town Creek on the 18th inst. at a country dance, is safely lodged in jail at Moulton, the county seat, and has not been lynched, as reported. Tuesday night while Simms was in jail at Town Creek Bill Norton, a brother of the deceased, together with several relatives and friends, were in the vicinity of the jail, presumably for the purpose of lynching Simms, but the crowd was dispersed by the sheriff, and at 1:30 yesterday morning Simms was taken to Moulton.

Colonel Morris Dead.

ATLANTIC CITY, Dec. 22.—Colonel Daniel Morris, aged 79 years, who planned the streets of this city and engineered the work of laying the first railroad from Camden to this city, died last night. Colonel Morris accumulated over $1,000,000 by judicious investments in real estate in this city, but at the time of his death his fortune is estimated at about $250,000. He had turned over toward charitable institutions the greatest part of his wealth. A few years ago he erected a home for orphans at Hopewell, N. J., known as the St. Michael Orphan Asylum and Industrial School.

Fatal Trolley Car Collision.

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 22.—A bad accident happened on the Worcester and Suburban electric road at the foot of the long hill in Leicester yesterday afternoon at 2:50 o'clock. Two cars came together, head on, both moving at high speed. One passenger, John Kerrigan of Cherry Valley, was killed outright, and another, Walter H. Holbrook of Leicester, died on removal to the hospital. Five or six others received dangerous injuries. The accident was caused by a fog, which made it impossible to see an approaching car.

Antianarchist Conference Ends.

ROME, Dec. 22.—The antianarchist conference, which has been in session in the Plazzo Corsini for some weeks under the presidency of Admiral Canevaro, Italian minister of foreign affairs, closed its sittings yesterday. The delegates appended their signatures to a protocol. It is understood that a number of practical resolutions were adopted, but the proceedings have not resulted in a convention binding the states represented.

Secret Work on French Cables.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Dec. 22.—The French cable steamer Centre Amiral Courbet, which has been engaged during the last two weeks in altering the positions of the French cables across the Grand banks, appeared off this harbor Tuesday evening. She did not enter, and when dawn came yesterday it was found she had disappeared. The impression is general among marine people that she is engaged in cable work of a secret character, which is carried on after dark.

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MEN'S MOCHA GLOVES, lined, $1 pair; worth $1.50.

MEN'S DOG SKIN KID GLOVES lined, 50c.

CHILD'S MOCHA LINED MITTENS, fur tops, 50c.

LADIES' FINE DOUBLE MITTENS, per pair 50c.

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To the Fattest Man A Large Fruit Cake. To be seen in the window of Bross Bakery, on North street.

To the Prettiest Girl a pair of Elegant Bottles of Perfumery. To be seen in the window of McMonagle & Rogers' drug store, on North street.

To the Gentleman Wearing the Most Grotesque Costume, an Elegant Meerschaum Pipe. To be seen in the window of Mills' Cigar Store, on North street.

To the Lady Wearing the Handsomest Costume, a Fur Collarette. To be seen in the window of Max Kattinger's, corner Main and North Sts.

To the Best Gentleman Waltzer, a Pair of Handsome Slippers. To be seen in the window of Sauerbrei's Shoe Store, on North street.

To the Youngest Widow a Pair of Common Sense Corsets. To be seen in the window of J. J. Silk's Grocery store, on James street.

To the Homliest Man, a Shaving Set. To be seen in the window of Futhill's Drug Store, North street.

To the Homeliest Girl, a Pretty Horse. To be seen in the window of J. Chas. Schwartz's market, on West Main street.

To the Person Selling the Most Tickets before the night of the ball, a Ten Dollar Gold Piece. To be seen in H. S. Dusenberry & Son's window, on North street.

All the above presents can be seen in the different store windows advertised until 8 p. m. of the night of Jan. 2d.

The grand Masquerade March will take place promptly at 9 o'clock. At 11.45 distribution of prizes. Good music by West Point Band.

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OUR LOCAL LEGISLATURE

ORANGE COUNTY'S BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN ANNUAL SESSION.

The Visit to Orange Farm—A Little Business Transacted Before Going "Over the Hills to the Poor House"—Members Who Got Left But Showed Up in Time—Things Seen and Done at the Alms House—A Fine Dinner—The Institution Found in Good Shape.

Blooming Grove	Joseph E Board
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Crawford	Samuel Robinson
Deerpark	W. H Sharpas
Goshen	J. E. Wells
Greenville	Samuel V. Jones
Hamptonburgh	Charles B Howell
Highlands	Louis F. Goodsell
Middletown—	
1st Ward	James E. Brasee
2nd Ward	Charles J. Boyd
3rd Ward	John E. Iseman
4th Ward	Nelson W Wood
Minisink	C. W. Horton
Monroe	George K. Smith
Montgomery	I. E. Loughran
Mount Hope	Charles W. Loomis
Newburgh City—	
1st Ward	Charles H. Weygant
2nd Ward	Henry B Lawson
3rd Ward	George Mosher
4th Ward	W. H. Coldwell
5th Ward	Jonathan Taylor
6th Ward	J. J. E. Harrison
Newburgh Town	William H. Post
New Windsor	Walter Denniston
Tuxedo	Charles Patterson
Wallkill	James M. Horton
Warwick	Ira S Smith
Wawayanda	John I Bradley
Woodbury	John A. Patterson

Republicans in Roman, Democrats in small capitals.

GOSHEN, Dec. 21.—This was a day of combined business and pleasure with the Board. They first transacted their business and then sought pleasure and mental profit at Orange Farm. It was the occasion of their annual visit to the institution, wherein are supported the poor of the county.

When the Board opened for business the Committee on District Attorney's Accounts reported that they had audited claims to the amount of $832 51. The Coroners' Committee from both districts reported a number of bills. They had cut the bill of Dr. Monroe, of Highlands, from $150 to $25, and the Board approved of their act.

By resolution of Mr. Patterson, of Woodbury, $40 was placed at the disposal of the committee in each Assembly district for the purpose of distributing fish. The committees will be appointed later.

Mr. Patterson called up his resolution relating to the pay of jurors, and the Board officially requested the legislators from this district to use their best endeavors to secure the enactment of a law giving them fair pay for their services.

Mr. Patterson also introduced a resolution requesting the Members of Assembly and the Senator from Orange county to exert their influence in making the office of coroner a salaried one, and suggested that the salary be $600 and expenses for each. The Board then adjourned until Thursday at 1:30, when they will meet as a board of Supervisors. They meet Thursday, at 11 o'clock, as a Board of Canvassers.

At 11:20 o'clock, the Erie had provided a special car for the members of the Board to make their annual trip to Orange Farm. At that hour all were present except the sick members, and Messrs. Mosher, Nearpass, Weygant and Howell. They, with Clerk Stubley, arrived at the depot just in time to see the train pull out. They were fertile in resources, however, and by some means managed to get to the farm as soon as the others.

The visits to Orange Farm bring together, each year, representative men from all parts of the county, and and these greet each other and "reminisce" and are joyful. When they have finished this part of their day's work, they are escorted about the buildings and over the farm by the superintendent and his corps of assistants.

Messrs. Wood, Hasbrouck and Sutherland were, yesterday, very much in evidence and were responsible for the courtesies extended the Board. Mr. Hasbrouck, with his wife, received the members and looked after their comfort during their three hours' stay. The social features of the gathering were not wanting, and Mrs. Hasbrouck made a gracious and charming hostess. John Conklin, who has the farm in charge, and Ed. Harford, the engineer, both of whom know by experience just what suits the tastes of the members of the Board, were always at just the right place at just at the right time.

Perhaps the most enjoyable feature of the day's outing was the magnificent dinner to which the superintendents treated their guests. It was pronounced the best yet served by the staff of the farm, and the supervisors without exception have only the kindliest feelings toward the directors of the culinary department at the county house.

It must not be supposed from the above that there is not a more serious side to the visit of the supervisors to Orange Farm. There are men too earnest and too dignified and too alive to their own and their constituents' interests to allow the trip to be one exclusively of pleasure. There is annually much more money spent at the farm and the members of the Board, representing the people of the county were anxious to see just where it is put. They were satisfied that the money voted had been well spent. The general condition of the grounds and the buildings all spoke in ringing tones for themselves and the disinterests of the people's money. The hospital, one of the most important departments of the institution, was one of the agreeable sights of the place, if a hospital can ever be called an agreeable sight. The rooms were light and airy, the ventilation was perfect and there was nothing to criticise in this department. What was true here seemed to be true of all other branches. Many members devoted some of their time to questioning the inmates. These all expressed themselves as pleased and none of them had a word of criticism to offer.

They have acquired for the matron that same affection which they had for Mrs. Monell when she was matron.

In the midst of a thorough enjoyment of the social side of the visit Conductor Bemrose's whistle was heard, and the members of the Board and their guests reluctantly said their adieus.

Among the guests were "Uncle" Joe Northrup, one of the oldest railroad men of the State. He was the guest of Mr. Loomis, of Mount Hope, but every one monopolized "Uncle Joe" and he soon became the guest of the Board.

WURTSBORO.

Home for the Holidays'—Wedding Invitation—Hose Company's Very Successful Fair—Meet of Prayer Meeting—St. Joseph's Church Fair.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—John Rosch, Jr., is home from Buffalo, N. Y., for the holidays, as is also James Cunningham, from Mount Hermon, Mass., and W. H. Stanton, of the same place, is expected home on Saturday.

—Seymour Masten is taking a business course at Eastman College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

—Invitations are out announcing the wedding on Wednesday, Dec. 28, of Henry Peck and Maggie Cunningham, at the home of the bride's parents in this village.

—The Hose Company's fair, at Dorrance Hall, last week, was one of the greatest successes, socially and financially, ever held here. It was continued, on Friday evening, in order to close out the abundance of donations. At the special meeting of the Hose Company, Monday evening, a vote of thanks was extended to everybody, who in any way contributed to the success of the fair. The net proceeds was $275.18, which will be sufficient to give the village very good fire protection, so far as the hose company's needs are concerned.

—A Christmas service of songs etc., will be held at the M. E. Church, Saturday evening, Dec. 24. Admission five cents.

—The Week of Prayer will be observed in the Reformed Church, January 2 to 6, inclusive. Communion, Sunday, Jan. 8th.

—The annual fair of the St. Joseph's Church will begin on Monday evening, Dec. 26, and continue every evening, (Sunday excepted,) for one week, ending with a grand ball and supper. Monday evening, January 2nd, Rev. Father Aylward, the popular pastor, will be pleased to see his many friends during this ever-enjoyable affair. All are invited.

VERNON.

Have Filled Their Ice House—Oyster Supper—Cut Off His Finger—Under the Car Wheels—Other Notes.

Correspondence of Argus and Mercury.

—Mr. Hawkins, of Brooklyn, one of the proprietors of the creamery in this place, was in town, Wednesday, of last week.

—Some of our farmers have finished filling their ice houses with a good quality of ten inch ice.

—Joseph Burrows will commence filling the creamery ice houses, Monday, if nothing happens to prevent.

—An oyster supper was held at the residence of John E. Forgerson, last Thursday evening, for the benefit of the Olden Star fraternity.

—Messrs. Robinson and Hawkins are engaged in erecting an addition, 20x55 feet, to their ice houses in this place. Carpenter George Wood is doing the work.

—A box social was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nagles, last Friday evening, and was quite well attended.

—Samuel Hunt, a teamster employed by Joseph Burrows, had the misfortune to sever one of his fingers while loading logs, one day last week.

—Edward Osborne was visiting with relatives in Warwick, last Sunday.

—While endeavoring to board the way-freight at McAfee, one day last week, (Thursday I think) John Morgan slipped and fell to the track, and one of the cars passed over his foot, cutting it off at the ankle. Dr. J. B. Pellett was summoned and amputated the injured limb. Later we are informed that tetanus set in and he died the next night. This report has not been verified, however, and we hope it is a false report.

—The blacksmiths reaped a harvest Tuesday, on account of the ice storm of the previous night.

That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for sick and nervous headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents. Money back if not cured. Sold by J. J. Chambers, druggist, 57 North street, near post office.

Every family should have its household medicine chest—and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

Dr. Miles' Pain Pills cure Headache.

WORSE THAN MOTHS.

A Kingston Woman's Experience With a New Kind of Moth Balls.

There is one mad woman in Kingston. A glib-tongued stranger called at her house, last spring, and induced her to buy a quantity of moth balls of a new kind. She packed some of her own and her husband's clothing away with the moth balls scattered through it, and a few days ago opened the box and found that wherever the balls had touched the clothing, they had eaten holes through it, and had done more damage than moths could possibly have done. The explanation no doubt is that the balls contained some kind of acid.

Ontario and Western Stock Will Not Be Classified.

From the Brooklyn Eagle.

The story of a proposed classification of Ontario and Western stock has been again revived, but there is no more truth in it now than on the various occasions when it has come up in the past. No doubt something will be done some day, but the matter is not under consideration at present, nor is it likely to come up in the future.

Mother of Thirty-two Children.

The *Medical Journal* of last week tells of a mother who has borne thirty-two children. The fact had been mentioned in an application for life insurance, and the statement therein made was subsequently verified.

PINE BUSH.

Methodist Sunday School's Christmas—Next Sunday's Services—Married—Other Notes.

Correspondence of Argus and Mercury.

—Monday, Dec. 26th, at 7:30 p. m., the Methodist Sunday School will hold its Christmas service, consisting of carols, recitations and varied exercises. A Christmas supper will be served in the lecture room at the close of the entertainment.

—The pastor, Rev. Thomas Hartsock, will preach in the Methodist Church, Sunday morning, on "Christ in the Manger." Evening, "Christ in the Life."

—Rev. Mr. Hartsock is spending the week in Washington, D. C., at the home of his father, the Rev. Dr. S. M. Hartsock.

—Wm. Peterson and Mary E. Peterson were married at Pine Bush, Saturday, Dec 17, by Rev. T. L. Hartsock.

—Lewis Dierfelter is seriously ill with pneumonia.

—Frank Decker is also ill with pneumonia.

Spain's Greatest Need.

Mr. R. P. Olivia, of Barcelona, Spain, spends his winters at Aiken, S. C. Weak nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's great blood and nerve remedy, all pain soon left him. He said this grand medicine is what his country needs. All America knows that it cures liver and kidney trouble, purifies the blood, tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves, puts vim, vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak, tired or ailing, you need it. Every bottle guaranteed; only 50 cents. Sold by J. J. Chambers, 57 North street, near post office.

Cures croup, sore throat, pulmonary troubles.—Monarch over pain of every sort. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil.

A Word to the Wise is sufficient.

Ely's Cream Balm has completely cured me of catarrh when everything else failed.—Alfred W. Stevens, Caldwell, Ohio.

Ely's Cream Balm works like a charm. It has cured me of the most obstinate case of cold in the head. I would not be without it.—Frederick Fries, 283 Hart street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

A 10c. trial size or the 50c. size of Ely's Cream Balm will be mailed. Kept by druggists. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren street, N. Y.

A lazy liver makes a lazy man. Burdock Blood Bitters is the natural, never failing remedy for a lazy liver.

To-Night and To-morrow Night

And each day and night during this week you can get at any druggist's Kemp's Balsam for the throat and lungs, acknowledged to be the most successful remedy ever sold for coughs, croup, bronchitis, asthma and consumption. Get a bottle to-day and keep it always in the house, so you can check your cold at once. Price 25c. and 50c. Sample bottle free.

To Cure Constipation Forever

Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

"Itching hemorrhoids were the plague of my life. Was almost wild. Doan's Ointment cured me quickly and permanently, after doctors had failed." C. F. Cornwell, Valley street, Sangerties, N. Y.

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Will cure Croup without fail. The best remedy for whooping-cough. Does small. Price 25 cts. at druggists.

IN a careful chemical examination of the leading Malt Extracts of the world, the United States Government Chemists found

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TELEPHONE 129.

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

State and County Taxes

Notice is hereby given, as required by statute, to the taxable inhabitants of the city of Middletown N. Y., that the undersigned Collector of Taxes, in and for said city, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of State and and County Taxes for the current year, and will attend at the City Clerk's office, Room No. 2, Times Building, corner of King and Center streets, on each week day of the week excepting Saturday afternoons and Dec 26 h, 1898 and Jan 2d 1899 for 30 days from the date hereof, from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 4 o'clock in the afternoon of each said day for the purpose of receiving the taxes assessed upon such roll.

I. B. A. TAYLOR Collector.

Dated December 15th, 1898. d15,22

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Mackintoshes,		Mufflers,
Umbrellas,		Handkerchiefs,
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Bath Robes,		

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We do not propose to sell everything on earth cheaper than anybody else, but when the question is

Legitimate Merchandise!

in our line, we flatter ourselves to be right on top of the heap.

We Guarantee Our Prices to Be Right.

We refund your money cheerfully in case of any dissatisfaction.

Chas. Wolff, Jr.,

Nos. 24-26 North Street, Middletown.

DAILY ARGUS

WEATHER INDICATIONS
BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON, D C. Dec 22.—Rain, to-night, probably clearing Friday, much colder Friday night, southwesterly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day
7 a. m., 34°. 12 m., 38°. 1 p. m. 38°.

Delaware county has a floating debt of about $30 000, which has been piled up by the Republican majority in the Board of Supervisors, who, seeking to make a show of economy, have neglected, year after year, to raise enough money to pay the expenses of the county.

The soldiers' vote elected a Democratic Assemblyman in Greene county. The home vote was a tie, but of the twenty-six soldiers from that county who voted, twenty-four voted for the Democratic candidate, Sylvester B. Sage, and only two for his Republican opponent, D. G. Green, thus giving Mr Sage a majority of twenty-two

The warmth, the cordiality, the heartiness and the enthusiasm of the welcome accorded Co. I, Wednesday evening, must have made the boys very certain that Middletown was glad to have them home again. The welcome had, however, a deeper significance than individual joy at the home-coming of relatives, friends and neighbors. It was a grateful recognition of the sacrifices they had made for their country's sake and the services they had rendered her, for, though the war was happily ended before they were called on to face Spanish bullets, they have faced hardship, exposure, deprivation and disease bravely and uncomplainingly. And had they been called upon to engage in battle, as was expected when they marched away last May, we know how gallantly they would have acquitted themselves.

CITY VOTE CANVASSED.

Soldiers' Vote Added to Home Vote and the Result Declared

The Common Council met as a board of canvassers, this afternoon President Tierney and Aldermen Gavin, O'Neal, Owen, Allen and Ayres being present. The soldiers' vote was added to the home vote and the result as already known was officially declared.

In regard to the Board of Education the canvassers, by advice of the city attorney, certified that Messrs Case, Finn and Whitney had the highest number of votes.

It left to some authority to pass on the question as to the effect on Mr. Finn of the charter's provision that two members cannot be elected at one election from the same ward.

GERMAN CHURCH CONCERT.

Programme of To-Night's Concert at Assembly Rooms.

At the grand concert for the benefit of the German Lutheran Church at the Assembly rooms, this evening, at 8 o'clock, the following programme will be rendered.

March The Vanguard — Reel
Fest Polonaise — Christroys
Prof Roescher's Orchestra
Wie hab ich sie geliebt — Mohring
German Mannerchor
Violin Solo—Ballet Fantasie — Wm Roescher
Mandolin Quartette
Mr and Mrs Billings, Messrs Summis and Parsell
Waltz—Wolf Astoria — John J Hasselmann
Czardas Hungarian — Orchestra
Blau Aenglin — G J Witt
Mannerchor
Violin Solo—Obertass — Wm Roescher
Banto and Gelb's Ne — Prof Summis
German Liederkranz
Miss Lora Mullen pianist
Prof Opitz, conductor of chorus

A NEW CREAMERY BURNED.

Crawford Brothers' Creamery at Van Keuren's Destroyed by Fire

The Crawford Bros' creamery at Van Keuren's station on the Crawford branch of the Erie which was only completed about four weeks ago was destroyed by fire at about 6 o'clock, this morning. The origin of the fire is unknown but is supposed to have been started by an incendiary, or perhaps by a tramp who slept in the building.

The loss is about $800. There is $500 insurance with Case & Fuller.

The owners of the creamery are Edward and Lorin Crawford of Pine Bush. They will at once rebuild.

PRIVATE WELLER'S BODY

Supposed to Have Arrived on the Steamer, But Has Not Been Heard From

No word has been heard of the whereabouts of the body of Private A C Weller, of Company I First Regiment and the friends and relatives are much worried in consequence. It is supposed that the body reached San Francisco on the Alameda Dec 14 and was shipped east at once.

When the remains do arrive here, the services will be held in Grace Church, and burial will be at Cedar Hill.

Social Progressive Euchre Club

The Social Progressive Euchre Club met at Mrs B H Mills' 230 Cottage street Wednesday. The prizes were won by Mrs G W Weyland and John Vail after which refreshments were served and the affair declared they had a very enjoyable time.

Drawing Postponed

The Elks having returned home before all the tickets for the Kanipe horse had been sold, the drawing will be postponed for a short time longer.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Heard Middletown's Reception of Its Soldiers—Married in St. John's Church—Private Talcott's Return—Other Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent

—The noise of the reception tendered the soldiers on their arrival at Middletown, last night, was very plainly heard at Goshen. Some cannon crackers were exploded and some red fire burned as the train bearing the troops passed through this village.

—John B. Brown, Jr., and Miss Nora A. Nolan were married, Tuesday, at St. John's Church, this village, by Rev. P. E McCorry.

—A. C. Snow, of Binghamton, has taken a position with C. Hulse & Son, jewelers.

—Mrs. Ed. Champion is visiting her sister, Mrs. James Scott, Jr., in this village.

—William Talcott, private of Co. I, was the centre of an admiring group from the moment he reached home, last night Mr. Talcott's health is excellent, and he has been well during all the time of his absence.

—Rev George C. Betts, rector of St. James' Church, was one of the honorary pall bearers at the funeral of Rev. Father Thomas McKee Brown, late rector of the Church of St. Mary, the Virgin, in New York, to-day.

—Risley & Love, patent solicitors, of Utica, N. Y, report that a patent for a horse shoer's gauge has been issued to James E Platt, of this village.

SURROUNDED BY DENSE FOG.

Navigation Almost Impossible in New York Harbor—Ferry Travel Interrupted—Many Steamers Unable to Reach Their Wharves.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A fog of remarkable density has rendered navigation in the river and harbor, since Monday night, most difficult, and in some instances, to day, an utter impossibility.

Somewhere in the vicinity of quarantine a fleet of big liners and a score or more unattached steamships, as well as a couple of transports, are supposed to be at anchor, some of them having been there twenty-four hours or more.

Old river men say to-day's fog well nigh approaches the record for thickness, and a northeast wind is adding to its volume. Yesterday's fog seriously crippled the regular ferry service and to-day's had the effect of completing the demoralization, and at 10 o'clock only a pretense was made of running boats on anything like time. Some of the companies did not make the pretense, noticeably the Thirty Ninth at (Brooklyn) ferry, which did not cast off a line. No accidents have yet been reported, though there have been many narrow escapes.

Marine observers at Sandy Hook and Quarantine stations reported, this morning, that the dense fog prevented them seeing anything of the White Star liner Teutonic, the Porto Rico steamship Arkadia and the Brazilian steamship Cyprian Prince, which arrived at Quarantine, yesterday Though they cannot be seen, it may be assumed that they are still at anchor The Cyprian Prince has not yet been boarded, the fog making it unsafe to attempt it

Probably a number of vessels are anchored outside the bar and off the light ship Among vessels due are the North German Lloyd H H Nen, from Bremen, the White Star freight Cufic, from Liverpool, the Anchor Line steamship Karamania, from the Colon Steamship Alliance, and some twenty other steamships, mostly freight, being due

ERIE EMPLOYES KILLED

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS

AVON, N Y, Dec 22.—Wm H Masters, an engineer on the Erie Railroad, residing here, and Patrick O Brien, his head brakeman, were killed in a freight collision west of Wayland, this morning

HYMENEAL.

Snyder—Bailey.

Rev Frank Arthur Heath officiated at a quiet home wedding, Wednesday night, when Miss Ina May, daughter of Mr and Mrs Uzal Bailey of Monhagen avenue, was married to Wilbert the Snyder. The couple have a large circle of friends who will extend congratulations

Does Your Head Ache?

Are your nerves weak? Can't you sleep well? Pain in your back? Lack energy? Appetite poor? Digestion bad? Boils or pimples? These are but some of the results of constipation If the contents of the bowels are not removed from the body each day, as nature intended, poisonous substances are sure to be absorbed into the blood always causing suffering and frequently causing severe disease.

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Write the doctor just how you are suffering. You will receive the best medical advice without cost.

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FRED O ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 29 North street Telephone No 2 Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 23d street, with H E Taylor & Co

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TOYS.

Thousands of them from 5c to 50c.

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500 Fancy Novelties from 10c to $2 50

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Toilet Sets, Shaving Sets Fancy Boxes, Smokers' Sets 25c to $2 50

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Beaver Shawls $1 75, $2 50 $3 25.
Double Shawls $2 50 $3 75, $4 50.

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Satines, Percales Cashmeres 45, 59, 95c per full dress pattern.

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10,000—every kind—from 5c upward.

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Silk Neckwear 15, 18, 23, 35, 50c.
Silk Mufflers 49, 75, 90c., $1.25.
Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 25, 50c.
Silk Umbrellas $1 50, $1.75, $1.98
Silk Lined Gloves $1.50.
Silk Suspenders 25, 50, 75c., $1.25.
Silver Mounted Canes 59, 75 98c., $1.50.
Mackintoshes $2, $3.50, $5, $6.
House Coats $3.50, $4 50, $7.
Cardigan Jackets $1 to $3.50.
Jersey Coats $3.
Sweaters 98c to $2
Night Shirts 39c to $1.
Fur Caps $1 to $2.50.
Fur Gloves 49c to $3.
Full Dress Shields $1.
Boys' Leather, Cloth or Corduroy Leggins.
Boys' Toque Caps 25 to 50c.
Boys' Gloves or Mitts 15 to 75c.
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What more acceptable gift for maid or matron?

And the dainty crystal vials holding them—so worthy their precious contents—cut glass bottles in perfect taste and in all sizes for all purses?

Our special odors are ITALIAN VIOLET, APPLE BLOSSOM and ARBUTUS (others for varying tastes). Our TOILET COLOGNES are FLORIDA WATER, SWEET BRIER and others Each and all are our own make—better quality and lower prices result to you—larger sales to us.

Our SPECIAL PERFUME sale at CHRISTMAS is a welcome boon to the puzzled searcher.

For 25 cents you buy a pretty package—for 75 cents a "gem," but regardless of price or size your gift is perfect in its way—quality the best in the world.

For it's with the many people we find our patrons—it's the masses whom we wish as customers.

COME AND SEE!

McMonagle & Rogers, 30 North St. and 155 North St. (North Side Pharmacy.)

Christmas Presents.

We have been six months in selecting our present holiday stock, with the result that such a variety has seldom, if ever, been displayed this side of New York.

FRENCH CHINA.

Our own importation. Rather than run the risk of carrying any of these goods over another season, we have marked the prices at a very small profit.

LAMPS.

These have been displayed in our windows, as the different styles arrived, and the fact that we have been compelled to duplicate our orders is evident that the line is not surpassed.

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We have selected from many manufacturers their very best patterns, and have most any kind you want and at all prices.

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—Ice cream at Dusenberry & Son's.
—Store painted by Harding.
—Pocketbook lost.
—Turkeys at Schmo & Eraacher's.
—Suits cleaned at Matthews & Co.'s
—Dress goods at Carson & Towner's.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—*Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today*

—Sawtelle Comedy Company, at the Casino, to-night.

—"True as Steel," at the Casino, to-night, by Sawtelle Comedy Company.

—The 24th Band has engaged the Casino for February 2, for a concert and ball

—Fine bon bons and chocolates at Loukaris' Palace Confectionery, 34 North street. dtf

—A checker tournament is to be held at Downeville, this week, between experts from that place and Andes.

—Fresh peanut brittle, cream candy and chewing taffy at [illegible] North street and 17 West Main street. tf

—Remember the concert for to-night at the Assembly Rooms. See the programme elsewhere. Doors open 7:30 p. m.

—The recently elected officers of Wallkill Council, Royal Templars of Temperance, will be installed Monday evening, Jan. 2d.

—"Watchin' the Sparkin'" and "Silly Billy" were written for Mr. Macy by Fred Emerson Brooks, the California poet. 1t

—The Sawtelle management announces that any member of Company I, appearing at the Casino, in uniform, during the remainder of the engagement, will be admitted free.

—Two popular first class humorists at an evening's entertainment is rather unusual, but the Y. M. C. A. aim to give more than your money's worth, which can be proved by going to the Casino, Christmas night. 1t

—Mr. Grilley is full of satire, pathos and wit, and possesses the power of deeply moving an audience and keeping the interest to the highest tension. At Casino, Monday. Reserved seats at Dusenberry & Son's. 1t

PERSONAL.

—DeLos Taylor is home from Worcester Academy for the holidays.

—Willard A. Lyon is home from the Hotchkiss Preparatory School.

—Mr. and Mrs. Chester C. Bogart have returned from their wedding trip.

—Miss Florence Decker will be home from Ossening Seminary, to-night.

—Miss Julia Parsons, of Jersey City, is visiting relatives and friends in this city.

—Will G. Decker will be home from Hamilton College, to-night, for the holiday vacation.

—Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Kortright, of Mechanictown, have gone to Ithica to visit their son, Dr. F. L. Kortright.

—R. Brewster Beattie, of Princton Theological Seminary, reached home, Wednesday evening, for the holiday vacation.

—Miss Emma Murray, who has been visiting friends and relatives, at Yonkers, for the past four weeks, has returned home

—The two year old son of Mrs. George Raymond, of Watkins avenue, is critically ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Raymond is a sister to Manager Corey.

—John Davidson Smith, of Buffalo, who has been in this city for several days looking after business interests, left for his home on Erie train one, to-day.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Clark attended the funeral of the former's father, near Middletown, last week. Mr. Clark was fatally injured in a runaway accident.—*Honesdale Independent.*

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Of the O. and W. Shopmen's B. and R. Association.

The O. and W. Shopmen's Benefit and Relief Association elected the following officers, Wednesday night:

President—Henry Funnell.
Vice Pres.—John S. Cooper.
Treas.—Emory S. VanKeuren.
Fin. Sec.—Thos Gardner.
Rec. Sec.—Milo Hopkins.
Trustees—John Pohlman, Isaac Wallace and Clarence Sinsabaugh.

Next Tuesday's Eclipse of the Moon.

A total eclipse of the moon will occur on Tuesday evening, Dec 27. The moon will rise at its full, entering the shadow at 4:51, and the total eclipse begins at 6:01 p. m. The total eclipse ends at 7:31, and the moon leaves the shadow at 8:40. It promises to be an unusually beautiful sight, if the weather is clear, and a full moon has the credit of "eating clouds."

Miss Morgans as "Serpolette" in the "Chimes of Normandy."

By her interpretation of the part of "Serpolette," the gossip in the "Chimes of Normandy," Miss Bertha Morgans, a careful and painstaking artist, will show most pleasing work that would do credit to the professional stage.

Do not forget the date of the performance, December 28 and 29. Benefit Old Ladies' Home.

Hymeneal Notes.

—Invitations have been received in this city to the wedding of Seward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. Baldwin, of Waverly, and Miss Mabel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R Rush Gillam, at the Reformed Church, Chambersburgh, Pa., Wednesday, January 4.

SOLDIERS WELCOMED.

Middletown's Hearty Greeting to Company I

ENTHUSIASTIC OVATION

All Do Honor to the Returning Soldier Boys.

Met at Newburgh by Members of the Reception Committee—Fired by Their Long Journey but still Interested in Bright Eyes—Honolulu Songs and Yells—The Torpedo Salute—Street Parade through Crowded Streets—Music, Cheers, Noise and Fireworks—At the Armory—Mayor-Elect Elwood's Speech of Welcome—Glad Reunions Yet Some Sad Faces.

"We'll join the regular army, we'll join the regular army, we'll join the regular army-y-y-y—When—a cow gives buttermilk!"

That's what the Company I boys sang as the two car special rocked and swayed along the Newburgh branch like a Pacific steamer entering the Golden Gate, Wednesday night.

Remember, it was Wednesday night. Half of the good citizens of this city swore by a stack of time tables that the boys couldn't possibly reach here before some time to-day, but the New York Central put on its best licks and when the soldiers' train struck its tracks the engine's throttle was pulled wide open and the boys were rushed through on better than express train time. The run from Albany to Fishkill was made in one hour less than schedule time, and the Erie having been notified to make ready for the transportation of the Middletown company, a special train was in waiting and it rolled into this city amid the roar of exploding torpedoes, at 5:08 o'clock:—And you know the rest.

Newburgh is a very patient town. When its soldiery is returning from a 12,000 mile trip, the staid and quiet citizens do not clog up the entrance from their ferry as Middletowners did the Erie station, but they take up a position at the most convenient point along the line of march, and wait until the boys come marching along. At least that's what they did Wednesday afternoon. Her reception to the soldiers on their arrival was not in it with that given here. What they did to them after they got them up the hill is not known to Middletowners, because our boys went straight to their train.

From 12 to 2 o'clock the representatives of the citizens' committee, of Middletown, aided by Major Weston, of the Newburgh *News*, Western Union Manager John A. Gillen, and Mr. Templeton, of the Homer Ramsdell Transportation Company, endeavored to find how the 24th boys were going home after they reached Newburgh. None could tell. Not until 2:30, when a telephone message was received from the ARGUS that a special train was to be sent out with the boys at 3:30, did the Middletown people learn how the trick was to be done.

When the tug whistles began to blow on the Fishkill side of the river the crowd, which had stood in front of the "States" Hotel watching Rough Rider Quaid in his San Juan uniform, astride a horse, surged toward the dock.

Marshal Perrot knew his business, and he promptly opened up the crowd and allowed the Middletown committeemen to go down to the ferry gates, where they climbed up—old and young, lean and fat—and swung their hats as the ferryboat came into the slip, convoyed by two loudly tooting tug boats. Rough Rider Quaid distanced the Middletowners, however. He left his horse, climbed the San Juan gate, and entered the blockhouse before the boat had pushed the ice out of the way.

Quartermaster Millspaugh was the first 24th man whose features were distinguished by the committee. They promptly gave the old "Two-four-twenty-four, siss, boom, ah-h-h!" and in response a half hundred caps were swung in air on the boat.

Somebody with whiskers, whom somebody called "Andrew," finally opened the gates, and the Middletowners rushed on the boat before the gangplanks were placed. Such handshaking and, hugging as occurred kept things very busy for a few minutes, and then the boys marched off, amid cheers, to the train, while the Newburgh boys marched up the hill with the firemen and other organizations in waiting to escort them.

The Erie's two well cured cars were in waiting and the boys got aboard. Most of them were tired and they sank into the seats as if they were upholstered just as if they were the newest Pullmans.

Some of the boys began to drop off to the platform, and reminiscences kept the party lively until the train started. Artificer Skinner was the quiet member. The boys said that they believed Skinner "had it." They seemed to know what the fever's approach was, for not a few of the boys have had a touch of it.

At 3:45 the train started and the handshaking committee went through it.

"Johnnie" Dugan was missing. He got off at Chicago, where his father and brother hustled him off to Milwaukee. William and Will Millspaugh, father and son, were at Cleveland to greet the boys. Four members of the company, who live in Newburgh and who are not well known here, remained at Newburgh, and three others alighted at Greycourt, and one left them at Buffalo.

The trip from Newburgh began amid the blowing of whistles, leaving on the platform three bright eyed Newburgh girls who some one said were "Misses Benkes and Miss Lyons," and who seemed to have a special interest in some members of Co. I. They were the innocent cause of considerable "rubbernecking," and if any one of the few who knew them had been Hobsonized the cars would have been emptied at the first shot.

All of the engineers along the road blew their whistles as the train passed. The boys sang a number of songs which Privates Veber and Borst had originated and when the tall, bewhiskered Weyler who ran the train came in and told the boys how he ran a train at the time of the last war and said something about milk, the "gang," led by "Dugan's Terrier," said in chorus, emphatically and with great effect, something which sounded like: "Ah Wing! Ah Sin! Oh-h-h Quit!!"

At Greycourt several of the members of the Board of Supervisors were in waiting for trains to go home, and while the special train waited they shook hands all around. As the train neared Goshen Committeeman Gibbs asked Private Talcott if he would like to have the train stopped there so that he might get off.

"No, sir!" he replied. "I started from the armory and I'm going back to the armory."

When the train shot under the S. and W. bridge in the southern part of this city, and the first carload was singing "Home Again" with the enthusiasm of revivalists, a stray torpedo went off. That was enough! Windows went up, doors were opened, and the men who a fortnight ago were threatened with fever in a temperature of 102, poked their heads out and looked over Middletown—"God's country."

Over the Sprague avenue bridge, then into the torpedoes! Great Scott! what a noise they made. Past "Bill" Bastian's grape arbor, and then the noise ceased until Cottage street was reached, and the racket commenced, causing the quiet and sedate Nelson Knapp to remark: "Wholly Mackerel!"

It was plain to be seen that the train was on hand a little earlier than was expected, as men were running along the tracks toward North street, but when that street was passed and the crowd was seen it was quite evident that not very many had gotten away.

The noise which greeted the soldiers was enough to make everyone feel that he was welcome home and that everybody who could get out to welcome him was there. Rector Evans swung his hat and a hundred well known people prominent in their respective walks of life aided him in such displays of enthusiasm.

The fireworks committee began operations at once, and there was a brilliant glare of red in the sky from many parts of the city as the boys formed on James street. Roman candles and rockets were sent off and F. O. Rockafellow and W. F. Royce operated a pair of aerial bomb throwers very effectively. Horns, whistles, crackers, knockers, bangers,—all contributed to make a noise which was pleasant under the circumstances. On James street every window in the brick blocks was filled and every family with a dinner bell rang it. Careless handlers of roman candles neatly plugged the occupants of windows several times, but no one seemed to worry about fire because Chief Higham and his whole department were right on hand.

When the marshals, Chief Higham and Capt. Veber had every thing all ready Assistant Chief Lorentz touched the fire alarm off for six bells and the parade started.

There's no use going into any extended writing about how fine a showing the escort made, or how well it was managed, or how well the bands played. The soldiers were the whole thing.

"Here they come! Look at 'Mac'! Jerry's whiskers off!" and such remarks were occasionally heard as the parade passed along the slush-filled streets. At James street, as the boys turned into Main, the returning boys saw the thin, pale face of Sergeant Louis Wengenroth propped up against a brilliantly lighted window—his eyes bright, with smiling recognition of the others. The 24th boys gave him a rousing cheer as they recognized him, and the crowd added to the volume.

Through Main street the crowd filled the street, and when North was reached the boys found only a passageway wide enough for four men to walk abreast, and such noise and excitement? At F. O. Rockafellow's home the boys recognized the Hawaiian word, "Aloha," which means "my best wishes" and half a dozen other things.

The march to the armory was less than one third the distance which the Fifth, of Newburgh, walked. Here another great crowd was found. The firemen, veterans, 124th, and Mechanics were lined up here and saluted as the boys passed into the armary, where 500 relatives of the soldiers had secured admission by ticket. There were enough there, when the "vets" of the 124th got in, to make a great noise. When the company was lined up, Mayor-elect Elwood, acting for Mayor Mance, who has a severe sore throat, spoke the sentiments of the whole gathering, as follows:

"Officers and members of the 24th Separate Company—It is a great privilege to be able to be here and welcome you to-night, after your long absence from home. We know you particularly desire, not to listen to any long speech from me or any other Middletown-er, but to return to your families from whom you have been so long separated. Therefore, I will simply say: Middletown loves you; Middletown is proud of you, and Middletown welcomes you home and says, 'God Bless You All.'"

Capt. McIntyre could not be heard for several minutes and then he thanked the Mayor-elect for his kind words and the people for their welcome, and then dismissed the company.

The scene which followed beggars all description. Such a reuniting of husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, lovers and sweet—no, not sweethearts. Nobody went on record as a sweetheart in that entangled mass of humanity. All such meetings occurred somewhere else.

But the reader need not think there was no promiscuous hugging and kissing going on. Lieut. Nickinson was a regular Hobson—not the crow, but the real thing. He was kissed by a line of women, "many of whom I hardly knew," he put it, this morning.

DeWitt Camp Drum Corps captured "Dan" Veber, took him home, and drummed and fifed until he had to make a speech.

There was a great deal of happiness and many tears of joy, there in the armory, but it was not without its alloy. One mother, Mrs. Babcock, went up to a soldier and asked where her son was. She was told he was in the hospital at Honolulu. The news was a severe shock to her. She had not heard from him since November, and did not know he was sick until she saw a short notice of it in a Walden paper, the other day. Several of the boys told her that her boy was receiving the best of care and would soon be home, and she went away downhearted but hoping for the best.

First Sergeant Barnes' roster showed the following, who left San Francisco:

Captain McIntyre.
Lieutenant Decker.
Lieutenant Nickinson.
First Sergeant Barnes.
Quartermaster Sergeant Millspaugh.
Sergeant Dudley.
Sergeant Hill.
Sergeant Decker.
Corporal Thompson.
Corporal Gansman.
Corporal Dugan.
Corporal Dickinson.
Corporal Shafer.
Corporal Slifer.
Corporal Vail.
Corporal Wallace.
Corporal Chambers.
Artificer Skinner.
Musician French.
Musician Edwards.
Privates
Buckman,
Benkes, S. M.,
Clauson,
Cochran,
Conkling, A.,
Cox,
Davey,
Decker, J. E.,
Decker, J. W.,
Dickson,
Egan,
Francisco,
Fullerton,
Gallagher,
Glavin,
Harford,
Hawley,
Jordan,
King,
Lane,
Lawrence,
Lee,
Magowan, L.,
McDonough,
Malone,
Medrick,
Millen,
Owen,
Parrott, F.,
Parrott, T.,
Pickard,
Pink,
Potter,
Reagan,
Robinson,
Rockafellow,
Schwartz, Charles,
Schwartz, Chris.,
Shaw, D.,
Shaw, W.,
Sherman, H.,
Sherman, S.,
Talcott,
Tandy,
Terhune, R.,
Terhune, O.,
Terwilliger,
Veber,
Wagner,
Walter,
Whitmore.

Private Hawley, whose home is in Canada, left the boys at Buffalo.

Those left behind at Honolulu are:

Corporal Gould.
Corporal Steadman.
Corporal Wilkinson.
Privates
Borst,
Case,
Conkling Bertis
Coopernail,
Loan,
McCrea,
Menny,
Babcock,
Godfrey,
Benkes, Will
Suffern,
Robertson,
Shepard,
Schultz.

NOTES.

—The boys have many compliments for Maj. Emmet, the old Ind an fighter.

—Private J. W. Decker was the only member who went to a hotel. He stopped at the Commercial and went to his home near Slate Hill, to-day.

—The company is presumed to be furloughed for sixty days, but it is not known positively.

—Everybody wanted to see Hobson, the crow.

—On the transport on which the boys returned they smuggled three men. One a "hobo," one a discharged cavalryman, and one fireman who was aboard the Concord during the fight at Manila. He was discharged from the service and went broke at Hong Kong. He beat his way to Chicago and will join his family at Philadelphia.

—The Newburgh soldiers were told to report at the armory at the end of the thirty-day furlough. Capt. McIntyre told the boys that there would be a meeting later.

—Every man in the company looks well, and most of them were about town, to-day, greeting old acquaintances.

—In the Newburgh armory, the center of the floor was marked in crayon: "Welcome, 24th." It was expected that the boys would see it, but they did not.

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Although Mr. Chanler is only 31 years of age, he is already well known as an explorer, as a soldier and as a politician. His father was the late J. W. Chanler, three times elected to congress by the votes of the citizens of New York. John Jacob Astor was his great-great-grandfather, and he therefore belongs to one of the most aristocratic and socially important families in America.

Young Chanler graduated from Harvard in 1887, receiving from the university the honorary degree of A. M. When he came of age he undertook a hunting trip to Africa, where he remained for nearly a year. In September, 1892, he joined Chevalier von Hohnel, a lieutenant in the Austrian navy, and together they set out with their caravan from Zanzibar to penetrate into the interior of Africa. It was the intention of the young explorers to reach Mount Kenia, near Daitcho, which lies a few miles north of the equator in a region almost unknown to white men. For a long time no news of the daring adventurers reached the outside world, and when rumors did come to the ears of the traders along the coast they only confirmed the fears of Mr. Chanler's friends. It was reported in London that the expedition had stranded at Daitcho. The Geographical society of London confirmed the report. Grave fears were entertained that Mr. Chanler would never reach the coast. But in February of the following year, after sustaining many hardships and being deserted by many of his followers, the explorer succeeded in reaching the coast.

The expedition was not without results, much valuable information was

WILLIAM ASTOR CHANLER.
(Representative-Elect from the Fourteenth New York District.)

added to the sum of knowledge of the interior of Africa. Mr. Chanler had discovered and mapped a region, hitherto unknown, equal in area to that of Portugal.

Mr. Chanler was made a fellow of the Royal Geographical society of England, as a recognition of his services to science and geography. Returning to America he wrote an exceedingly interesting account of his adventures in a book which he entitled "Through Jungle and Desert."

This was no small achievement for a young man just out of college, but Mr. Chanler did not rest on his laurels. About two years ago he joined Tammany Hall. He invaded politics with the same vigor which had characterized his movement upon Africa and with about parallel results. His friends and his family now believed him lost indeed, but he soon emerged from the struggle with new trophies in the shape of offices and political preferment. His family and his friends became reconciled to this newest departure of a young man who need never have distressed himself with anything more important than the fit of his coat or the color of his tie.

Then the war with Spain became the vital issue of the hour, and Mr. Chanler rose to the opportunity as a trout to a well-baited hook. He was one of the first to offer his services to the country. As soon as it seemed likely that the government would issue a call for troops, he set about recruiting a regiment of volunteers, which he proposed to equip and arm at his own expense. Nothing daunted when Gov. Black declined to accept his regiment, Mr. Chanler quitted New York with a few friends and went to Tampa, intending to join the staff of Lacret, the Cuban general. He was delayed long enough to receive a commission from the president, which conferred upon him the duties of assistant adjutant general, with the rank of captain. He was assigned to Gen. Wheeler's staff.

Capt. Chanler served through the Santiago campaign, being several times under fire, and receiving mention for gallant conduct in action in Gen. Wheeler's dispatches to the war department.

He was honorably discharged from the army on October 3. Mr. Chanler is a good-looking young man, with a resolute, clean shaven face. He is tall and slight, with an athletic build. He is thoroughly in earnest, and, despite his wealth, has been in every sense the architect of his own career. He is modest and is not inclined to talk unless upon matters with which he is thoroughly acquainted. It would not be at all improbable if he some time occupied the chair at Albany so soon to be filled by Col Roosevelt, to whom, despite his Tammany Hall affiliations, he bears in character no slight resemblance.

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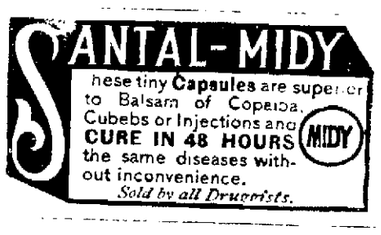
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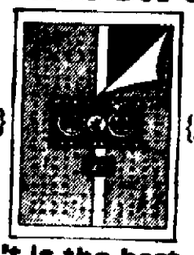

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Dr. Abbott, says the Chicago Tribune, has been a conspicuous instance of the freedom of the American pulpit. Whatever anyone's religious views no one can question the educational and moral, as well as religious, power of the pulpit in this country. It is not the power of the priest, but that of the preacher. In this respect our country has been totally different from Spain, for instance, or Italy, or even France. From the beginning of American history the preacher has had his place; a place on the whole well at the front along all the lines that make for progress. There have, it is true, been some spicy heresy trials now and then, and yet these have often been more in the interest of honesty than of bigotry, on the score that the church or congregation preserved some rights and might claim some freedom of its own as well as the preacher.

Plymouth pulpit under Beecher was a power in the land for freedom, for justice, for humanity, which the historian of the period will be sure to

REV. DR. LYMAN ABBOTT.
(Pastor of Plymouth Church and Editor of the Outlook.)

make much account of. If there was a square rod of freedom in America where genius, the genius of incomparable eloquence, gloried in its liberty, and in its opportunity, and its occasions, it was in that Brooklyn pulpit. That Lyman Abbott has been able to sustain for a decade longer the prestige of that pulpit has been greatly to his credit. Absent enough in his loyalty to his predecessor he has been content to be himself and try to do his best in his own way. For purity of style, simplicity of manner virility and lucidity of statement, his utterances whether by pen or voice, have been excellent models. Some may think his judgment not infallible, his logic not always conclusive, his orthodoxy sometimes mixed and intermittent, but his generous sympathies, his alertness to the opportunity and the duty of the hour, and withal his fine fearlessness in advocating whatever course seemed to him to be right and for the time most urgent, have made for him innumerable friends in all parts of the country.

Depopulation of France.

The returns of the census for France which was taken in March, 1897, have now been published and compared with the statistics of the previous census, taken six years before. A year ago the number of people in France was 38,288,969, and at the 1891 census it was 38,095,150, so that in the six years the population of France had only increased by 193,819 persons. And even this trifling increase is more apparent than real, for it has taken place entirely in the large towns and is due to the influx of foreigners, such as Belgians and Italians, who are to be found in increasing numbers among the urban population of France.

The Women of Belgium.

No one can travel in Belgium without being struck by the extraordinary activity and prominence of the women. Over the doors of shops of all descriptions the name of the owner or owners is frequently followed by "Soeurs" or "Veuve." You find them proprietors of hotels and restaurants. They are often custodians of the churches. They are employed to tow the boats along the canal banks. They cut up the meat in the butchers' shops, and they are even to be noticed shoeing horses at the forge.

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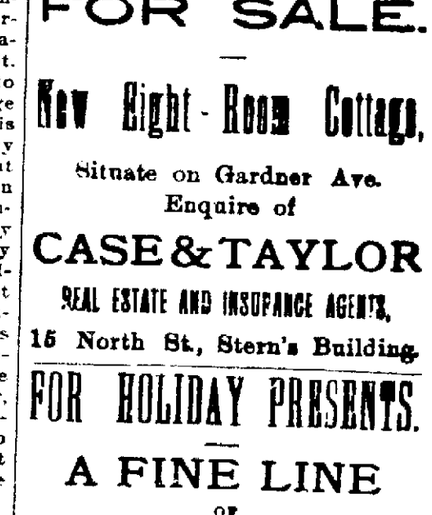

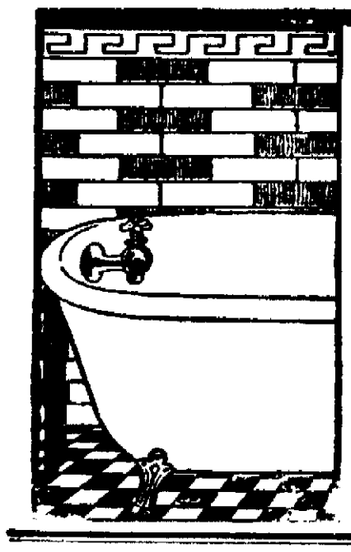

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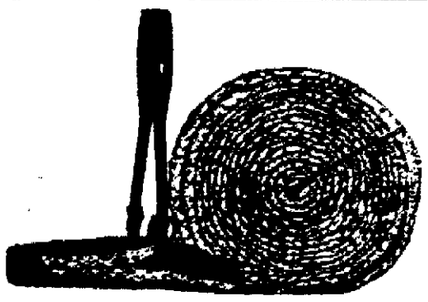

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WITH THE SENATORS

Some of the Men Who Shape the Nation's Legislation.

It Is Not Always the Lawmakers Most Talked About Who Exert the Most Potent and Lasting Influence.

[Special Washington Letter.]

WHEN the oath was administered to Senator Simon, of Oregon, the senate became a complete body numerically for the first time in almost two years. There are now 90 senators present or accounted for, two senators for each of the 45 states in the republic.

The term of Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, expired March 4, 1897. The Oregon legislature failed to perform its duty and adjourned without electing a successor to Senator Mitchell. The governor of Oregon appointed Senator Corbett, but the United States senate refused to grant him a seat. Consequently it became necessary for the legislature of that state, in extra session, to elect a senator, and Mr. Simon was chosen. During the interim, Oregon only had one senator. It is not likely that, in the future, any state legislature will fail to perform its functions, because the rule of the senate is well understood. Governors of states cannot appoint to fill vacancies caused by the negligence or criminality of recalcitrant state legislators.

The leading men in the senate to-day are not those who are noted for their much speaking. Perhaps the most conspicuous republican senator is Mark Hanna, known generally as the special and most trusted friend of President McKinley. But while Mark Hanna is conspicuous, he is not much of a power in shaping legislation. This shows that, while a man may be a power in politics and politically conspicuous, he must take a back seat as "a new senator," when he enters the great deliberative body. It is no reflection upon Mr. Hanna, but a statement of fact.

Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, is a man of whom you seldom hear, because of his quiet, unobtrusive manners. But he is one of the veterans, one of the workers, one of the managers; and he has done the bulk of the work in committee on all tariff and financial measures for the senate during the past 12 years. His handiwork was seen on the Morrison, Mills, McKinley, Wilson and Dingley tariff bills.

Mr. Quay's position has been somewhat like Mr. Hanna's. Now, however, Mr. Quay has been in the senate long enough for his associates to recognize his shrewdness and good sense. He is a thorough partisan, and his influence is chiefly in his own party. Nevertheless the democrats find him a good man to get along with, because he does just what he says he is going to do, and his opponents can rely upon his word, whether he says he is going to fight them or help them.

JOSEPH SIMON.
(New United States Senator from Oregon.)

Of an entirely different character from the influence of Senators Hanna and Quay is that of Senator Hoar. Senator Hoar is a scholarly, clear-headed and able statesman. He has had the best of academic training, and has cultivated in every way an already broad intellect. As might be expected, he has much influence in the senate on any matter that is purely intellectual in character. His power is exerted through his ideas rather than through his personality.

There is a man on the democratic side who during Mr. Cleveland's last administration was the strongest supporter that the administration had in the senate. This is Senator Gray, a democrat, a strong gold man and a strong defender of President Cleveland, and yet he always retained the respect of the silver democrats. This was because, while he was a sincere advocate of Mr. Cleveland's measures, and withal was courageous and independent in this advocacy, he was not regarded as having betrayed a silver constituency for the patronage with which such betrayal would be rewarded.

A democratic silver senator who is well acquainted with Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Gray was asked why the president did not appoint Senator Gray to one of the vacancies in the supreme court, when he seemed to find it so difficult to find a man who would suit both himself and the senate. The answer came quickly and emphatically:

"For no other reason except that Gray is a man of independence and force, who has not been and will not be dominated by Grover Cleveland." The reply is characteristic of the way both Mr. Gray and Mr. Cleveland were regarded by the silver democrats.

Among these democratic silver senators there are strong men. One is Jones, of Arkansas. Before he was made chairman of the democratic national committee Senator Jones was but little heard of. Nevertheless, his position in the senate had been already established as that of an honest, well-balanced, sensible, vigorous and able man. He could be relied upon never to make any blunder, either politically or otherwise. He was always willing to work hard for his constituents and his party, and constantly proved himself a sound adviser and able manager. It was he who in 1894 went to each democratic senator and found just what sort of a tariff bill would command the support of every democrat. And it was he who then prepared and arranged the amendments which made possible the first democratic tariff since the war.

Another distinctly strong democratic silver senator is Cockrell, of Missouri. You rarely see his name in print, outside of a Missouri paper, yet he has been in the senate 24 years, and, in the direction of legislation, is one of the most powerful men in the country. Hard work, absolute honesty and sincerity, great political foresight, and a judgment that is remarkably sound and unbiased, are chiefly what give him his influence. Like Senator Jones he is a thoroughly safe adviser, and for years back has been a member of all the democratic "steering committees."

GEORGE F. HOAR.
(Leader of the Anti-Annexationists in the Senate.)

He has probably more influence on the republican side than any other democrat.

The republicans have a man who is in many ways the counterpart of Senator Cockrell. This is Senator Allison. Like Cockrell he is, when his party controls the senate, the chairman of the powerful committee on appropriations. Moreover, he is a worker and a good one. His judgment is sound and conservative, and his ability, both as a politician and a statesman, decidedly high. He has a tendency, if a perplexing party question is up, to take a quiet seat on the floor of the senate, to listen, reflect and reach conclusions before speaking. Taking him all in all, and considering everything, senators generally regard him as the ablest man on the republican side.

There is one man whom the public is right in regarding as a leader of his party in the senate. That is Mr. Gorman. The character of his leadership, however, is far from being understood. He is a leader because of his keen political insight and sagacity, because he has great executive ability, because he is a man who is trusted by his followers and because, paradoxical as it may seem, he is not avowedly "a leader." Mr. Gorman does not try to dictate party policies. He advocates that party policy which he believes to be best, but if his party associates adopt an entirely different policy he works just as earnestly to carry it out as if it were his own. He will retire on March 4, 1899; and he will be missed not only by his party, but by all the senators who know him well.

A republican whose influence is much like that of Senators Allison and Aldrich is Frye, of Maine. Mr. Frye is a vigorous, conservative, sound-thinking man. He is a good parliamentarian, is president pro tempore of the senate, and makes a most excellent presiding officer. His decisions are clear, prompt and impartial.

There are several men in the senate who talk little, but who, figuratively speaking, saw lots of wood. Among these are Jones, of Nevada, and Proctor, of Vermont. Senator Jones speaks less on the floor of the senate than almost any other senator. Some of his silver speeches, however, show the work of a profound scholar. Senator Proctor is a quiet, earnest worker.

Senator Proctor's colleague, Mr. Morrill, is an able, clear-headed, high-minded gentleman, whose intellect is still keen and vigorous, after his 42 years of congressional service.

But if a republican senator is really looking for concentrated vigor and keenness, combined with the most superlative sarcasm, he should arouse Senator Vest and he will get all he wants. Probably no man in the senate is considered his equal in partisan oratory.

There is one man in the senate who has been a lifelong republican, who now strictly belongs to no party, and yet who has very great influence in all parties. This is Senator Teller. Sincere and earnest as a man can be, hard working, practical, and with his whole heart and life in the fight for what he and his people believe right, such is Senator Teller. When he speaks in the senate all listen, for they know that he speaks from inmost convictions and that what he says has received the careful thought of a superior man.

SMITH D. FRY.

Ghent an Island City.

The famous old city of Ghent, Belgium, is built on 26 islands, which are connected with one another by 80 bridges. Three hundred streets and 30 squares are contained in these islands. Ghent is famous because Charles V. and John of Gaunt were born there. It has been the scene of many battles, insurrections and revolts and it was there the treaty was made terminating the war of 1812 between this country and England.

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W. 42d St.	3	8 5	7 45	3 15	5 48	
Weehawken	4	8 8	8 10	3 30	6 8	
Cornwall	6	10 9	9 45	5 00	7 50	
Fitchcliffe	15	22 19	53	5 05		
Orr's Mills	16	25	55	5 10		
Little Brit'n	6	40	10 3	5 15	23	
Burnside	6	56	10 6	5	34	
Campbell H.	7	07	10 22	4	8 19	
Stony Ford	7	15	10 27	5 15	44	
M'town Main St.	7	38	10 43	5 58		
M'town Ar	7	40	10 47	6 00	8 35	
M'town Lv	8	45	11 55	8	8 45	
Winterton	9	10	11 9	6 8		
Bloomingburg	9	21	11 15	6 36		
Wurtsboro	9	25	11 19	6 40		
Summitville	9	38	11 30	6 50		
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Fallsburgh	10	32	12 05	7 20		
Hurleyville	10	53	12 12	7 27		
Ferndale	11	15	12 22	7 38		
Liberty	11	30	12 29	7 44	9 50	
Parksville	11	45	12 40	7 55		
Livingston M'r	12	00	12 53	8 08	10 13	
Rockland	12	15	1 08	8 20		
Cadosia	1	20	2 00 P M	10 59	A M	
Walton	8	10	2 45	11 33	8 05	
Maywood			8 14		8 38	
Sidney			3 41	12 15	9 02	4 1
Norwich Ar			4 26	12 58	9 50	A M
Norwich Lv			4 30	1 03	9 54	7 30
Castle			5 8	10	A M	9 10
Oneida Ar			5 57	2 12		9 15
Oneida Lv			6 10	2 15		9 20
Fulton			7 39	3 25		10 58
Oswego ar			8 00	3 45		11 20
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STATIONS.	Mile	6 * New York Exp	12 * Local	50	14 Del-hi Ex	2 N Y Day Exp	42 Nor-wich Exp	8 Sul-livn Exp
Oswego lv		A M	P M	A M		A M	P M	A M
Oneida Ar	11	12 52	6 28			8 45	2 55	
Oneida Lv	11	12 56	6 30			8 46	2 56	
Castle			6 50			8 55	3 05	
Norwich Ar		2 09	7 5 P M			9 20	3 27	
Norwich Lv		2 14	6 00	6 45	10 57	7 15		
Sidney		3 05	P M	6 48	11 42	P M		
Maywood				7 30	11 43			
Walton		3 50	12 15	7 58	57			
Cadosia		4 21	1 30	8 33	1237			
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Liberty		5 30	3 35		2 51			6 36
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Fallsburgh			4 19		3 14			6 57
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Wurtsboro			5 20		18 52			7 33
Bloomingburgh			5 28		3 57			7 38
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Campbell H.			6 59		14 46			17 25
Burnside			7 15		4 52			8 31
Little Brit'n			7 22		14 57			18 36
Orr's Mills			7 38		15 08			18 46
Fitchcliffe			8 06		15 19			18 53
Cornwall			8 10		15 21			8 55
Weehawken		7 29	8 20		5 23			9 02
New York W. 42d St.		8 45	10 50		7 00			10 30
New York Franklin St.		8 55	11 00		7 10			10 40
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* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

f Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers.

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

* Stop for meals.

Trains leave Cadosia 6 10 a. m., 2 05 p. m. Sunday only 4 30 p. m. for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., 4 15 p. m. Sunday only 8 31 a. m. for Cadosia.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 11 30, a. m., and 3 50 6 50 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00 10 10 a. m., and 8 10 and 5 10 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and *11 00 a. m., and 4 45 p. m. Except Saturday 1 30 p. m. Sunday only 5 10 p. m.

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 8 10 a. m., 2 45 and *5 35 p. m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m., and 2 50 p. m. Except Saturday 12 37 p. m.

Additional trains leave Livingston Manor at 1 35 p. m., stopping at all stations to Walton, arrive at 6 20 p. m. Leave Walton at 12 45 p. m. arrive at Norwich 5 00 p. m.

Leave Walton 7 00 a. m. stopping at all stations to Livingston Manor, arriving at 12 5 p. m. Leave Norwich 6 15 a. m. all stations to Walton, arriving at 11 15 a. m.

Trains leave Sidney for New Berlin 10 00 a. m., *5 4 and 7 10 p. m. Leave New Berlin for Sidney 7 40 and *10 02 a. m., and 2 10 p. m.

For further particulars see local card.

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TIME TABLE ADOPTED DEC. 11, '98.

Eastern Time.	Leave	Arrive	Spec'l 617	Spec'l 625	601	9	7	29	25	15	27	5	33	11	9	1	21	17
			P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.
	NEW YORK		7 30	12 30 †	7 30	9 15	3 30 *	6 30 †	5 30 †	4 30 †	3 00 †	2 00 *	1 00 *	10 30 †	9 15	7 45 *	7 30 †	4 00 †
	Paterson		8 24		8 24												8 21	
	Turners		1 14	2 24														
	Monroe		2 27	2 32														
	Greycourt		2 41	2 44														
	Chester		2 47	2 54														
	Goshen		2 55	10 04														
	Middletown		8 11	10 13	10 02	10 15	7 10	9 07	7 56	6 39 †	4 51	3 40	2 27	11 12	10 00	6 47	10 02	6 22
	Howells		8 20	10 22	10 11	10 24	7 20	9 21	8 12	6 49 †	5 06	3 50	2 37	11 23	10 10	6 57	10 11	6 32
	Otisville		8 29	10 31	10 20	10 33	7 29	9 30	8 21	6 58	5 15	3 59	2 46	11 32	10 19	7 06	10 20	6 41
	Port Jervis		10 45	10 43	10 34	10 47	7 43	9 34	8 25	7 02	5 19	4 03	2 50	11 36	10 23	7 10	10 24	6 45
Ar.	East Time.	Lv.	11 10	10 55	10 46	10 59	7 55	9 46	8 37	7 14	5 31	4 15	3 02	11 48	10 35	7 22	10 36	6 57
Ar.	CHICAGO.	Lv.	8 32 †	8 30 †	7 45 †	7 45	6 30 †	4 30 †	3 30 †	2 30 †	1 00 †	11 30 *	10 30 *	7 30 †	7 45	4 30 †	4 30 †	1 00 †
Cent. Time.		Cent. Time.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.

Eastern Time.	Leave	Arrive	12	10	26	16	28	38	6	30	2	8	22	14	Spec'l 606	Spec'l 620	Sun 18
			A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.
	NEW YORK		6 17	8 00 *	8 52 †	9 22 †	8 44	7 56	7 49	7 32	7 24	7 09 †	7 01	6 29	8 52	11 07 *	9 30
	Paterson														9 41	12 22 †	10 00
	Turners		4 04	6 01	8 12	10 00	8 13	7 16	7 09	6 51	6 41	6 25	6 16	5 41	10 22	2 08	12 12 †
	Monroe				8 23	10 16	8 24	7 27	7 20	7 02	6 52	6 36	6 27	5 52	10 33	2 19	12 23 †
	Greycourt				8 30	10 23	8 31	7 34	7 27	7 09	6 59	6 43	6 34	5 59	10 40	2 26	12 30 †
	Chester				8 36	10 29	8 37	7 40	7 33	7 15	7 05	6 49	6 40	6 05	10 46	2 32	12 36 †
	Goshen				8 47	10 41	8 48	7 51	7 44	7 26	7 16	7 00	6 51	6 16	10 57	2 43	12 47 †
	Middletown		4 15	6 11	8 57	10 51	8 58	8 01	7 54	7 36	7 26	7 10	7 01	6 26	11 07	2 53	12 57 †
	Howells		4 04	6 00	9 06	10 59	9 07	8 10	8 03	7 45	7 35	7 19	7 10	6 35	11 16	3 02	1 06 †
	Otisville				9 15	11 08	9 16	8 19	8 12	7 54	7 44	7 28	7 19	6 44	11 25	3 11	1 15 †
	Port Jervis				9 19	11 12	9 20	8 23	8 16	7 58	7 48	7 32	7 23	6 48	11 29	3 15	1 19 †
Ar.	East Time.	Lv.	3 50	5 20 *	9 30	11 23	9 31	8 34	8 27	8 12	8 02	7 45 †	7 36	7 01	11 40	3 26	1 30 †
Ar.	CHICAGO.	Lv.	10 30 *		4 30 †	7 30 †	4 30 †	1 30 †	1 30 †	10 30 †	10 30 †	6 30 †	6 30 †	3 30 †	6 30 †	10 30 †	6 30 †
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*Daily. †Sundays only. ‡Except Sunday. b Stops for passengers to Binghamton and beyond.

Middletown & Crawford Branch—Sunday leave Main St. 1 10 a. m., leave Main St., Middletown, for Pine Bush at 11 40 a. m., daily except Sunday, 6 55 p. m. daily.

Montgomery Branch—Leave Goshen for Montgomery at 7 27 a. m., daily except Sunday; 11 20 a. m. daily except Sunday; 4 54 p. m., daily except Sunday and holidays, 6 33 p. m., holidays only.

Pine Island Branch—Leave Goshen for Pine Island at 11 20 a. m. and 6 35 p. m. daily except Sunday.

Newburgh via Turners—Leave Turners for Newburgh at 7 35 a. m. daily, except Sunday and holidays; 10 50 a. m., daily, except Sunday only; 9 00 p. m. daily; 10 25 p. m., Sundays. Trains 30 and 2 connect for Newburgh via Arden, instead of Turners.

Newburgh, via Greycourt—Leave Greycourt at 7 45 a. m., daily except Sundays and holidays 11 10 a. m., daily, except Sunday 1 23 p. m. daily, except Sundays and holidays, 6 20 p. m., daily except Sunday, 5 37 p. m., Sundays only.

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COMPANY F'S JOURNEY FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

No Happier Crowd Ever Turned Their Faces Homeward—Two Privates Left in Hospital—Private Crounse Going to Manila—Through the Sierras and the Rockies—Denver's Hospitality Delay in Chicago—Making Up Lost Time—News of the Result of Middletown's Election.

Special Correspondence of Argus and Mercury

On Train, Thursday, Dec. 15.—We started, to-day, on the second stage of our journey toward God's country and a happier lot of men would be hard to find. The boys have chafed under the delays of the past few days, but the appearance of the paymaster on Tuesday did much to allay the impatience of the men to get away from the discomforts of our camp at the Presidio. The weather has been damp and very cold since our arrival and although board floors and stoves has been provided for the tents, they were anything but cheerful and comfortable abiding places. The black smoke from the soft coal hovered over the camp continuously and the men presented a grimy appearance. Heavy underwear and new clothing was issued to the men, yesterday, and they will be much more comfortable on their transcontinental trip than they would have been had we started for home immediately on our arrival from Honolulu.

We left camp at 10 o'clock, this morning, and marched over the four mile course to the ferry, reaching there about noon, and Oakland half an hour later. Here there were many delays and it was 4 o'clock before we pulled out from the station.

We were disappointed at not being able to see the State of California by day light, having passed through the State on our outward trip during the night, but the disappointment was lessened in the thought that we were "homeward bound."

We were obliged to leave Privates Joe Beakes and Harry Fredericks behind at the Presidio Hospital but neither is considered dangerously ill and they will be able to travel in a week or two.

Privates Cox and Miller are with us having arrived on the Arnda, yesterday, with Companies C, E, F. and G.

Private Jas. A. Crounse received his discharge here, this morning, and will go to Manila as an assistant engineer on one of the government transports. Jim proved a very fine soldier and a genial companion and goes upon his new adventures with the best wishes of every man in the company.

Friday, Dec. 16.—The first station which we recognized as daylight broke upon us, to-day, was Truckee, Nevada. We passed through the dreary forty mile ride through the snow sheds in the night, thereby missing one of the most disagreeable features of the trip. The men are well, although several are complaining of severe colds. The thermometer has taken a big drop and we are passing through a region of snow and ice. The snow capped mountains present a beautiful sight and everyone appears to be enjoying the beauties of nature. All day long the ride has been through the vast waste lands of Nevada, but the distant mountains lend a never-ending variety to the scene, and as there is no dust on the alkali plains the journey is so far a very pleasant one.

Saturday, Dec. 18.—We arrived in Ogden early this morning, where we breakfasted. The dense fog obscured our view of the Great Salt Lake, much to our disappointment. We learned upon reaching Salt Lake City that Sergeant Weegenroth had left the hospital there on Tuesday, and is therefore well upon his way toward home. Nothing of interest has transpired to-day, and the boys spent the time in enjoying the beautiful scenery through which we travelled.

Sunday, Dec. 18.—Owing to several delays caused by hot journals and broken steam pipes, we lost considerable time last night, but it was the means of our being able to view by daylight the finest sights on the route—the Royal Gorge of Colorado. The wonderful canon has been described so often that I will not attempt it, but will simply say that the gorgeousness and grandeur of this wonderful work of nature far exceeded our greatest expectations.

At Denver, which we reached at 6 o'clock in the evening, we were met by Will Downs and Ed. Webster, former Middletowners, who entertained us during the few minutes of our stay. The citizens of Denver had provided coffee, sandwiches and doughnuts for the boys, and it was the first real sign of welcome we have received since our start from Frisco. We were also greeted by a Mr. St. John, a brother of ex Conductor St. John of the O and W.

We are still some hours behind the schedule promised, but still hope to reach home by Wednesday.

Monday, Dec 19.—The ride through Nebraska was made during the night and this morning we breakfasted in Bryan's home,—Lincoln. We are still running behind our schedule but the railroad officials promise that we will reach Chicago early to-morrow morning. We pass through a fine agricultural country, to-day, and signs of prosperity among the farmers are everywhere visible in the substantial houses and splendid conditioned stock which may be seen feeding upon the uncut corn stalks in the field.

A very slight covering of snow is on the ground east of Denver, but the only place where there was any evidence of good sleighing was on the trails on the summit of the Sierra Nevada mountains.

We passed through Canon City, yesterday, but saw no evidence of the excitement which is said to exist there over the discovery of new gold fields, as chronicled in the Denver and Omaha papers, this morning. It is a log cabin settlement as yet, the inhabitants being mostly miners in the coal mines and coke burners in the large coke ovens which are built there. The Denver papers say that the gold strike is a rich one and predict a great future for the place. The State penitentiary is located there.

Tuesday Dec. 20.—We arrived in Chicago at 5.30, this morning, and were told that we would be transferred from the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy road to the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern without delay, but it was 7 o'clock before the transfer was completed, and then there was a dispute over the cars and several repairs were found necessary, so that it was 11:30 before we got away.

Corporal John Dugan left us at Chicago to go to his home at Milwaukee. John is a very popular member of the company and all the boys were up to bid him good-bye. Frank Hawley is to leave us at Buffalo for his home in Canada. The run through Indiana has been a very fast one and we are scheduled to arrive in Albany at 11 o'clock, to-morrow.

Wednesday, Dec. 21.—The railroad officials are making good their promise, and at 7 o'clock, this morning, we find ourselves at Syracuse. We had the pleasure of greeting Wm. Millspaugh, father of Q. M. Millspaugh, at Elyria, Ohio, last night, and through the courtesy of the officials he was permitted to accompany us to Cleveland, a distance of twenty-five miles, so that a very pleasant visit ensued. He was looking splendidly and was enthusiastic over the future prospects of Elyria owing to the development of the large steel works there.

At Buffalo, which was reached at 8 a. m., we were awakened by a visit from Dr. Mort Fay and his brother, former residents of Middletown, who now reside in Buffalo. They met many old school acquaintances among the members of Company I, who were very glad to see them.

A Syracuse paper contained the dispatch announcing the result of the vote on Mayor, and to say that it was a surprise to all of us is putting it mildly. I had thought that the vote was close, but was of the opinion that the Republicans had secured a majority, an opinion which was shared by every one. It is to be regretted that so many Republican votes were cast by members living in the First Ward, thereby causing a change in the complexion of the Board of Aldermen, but this was expected when we learned that Mr. Finn had but three majority.

Nick.

The Village of Glen Eyre Sold Again.

The Glen Eyre property, in Pike county, Pa., which was sold, last week, at sheriff's sale, to Mrs. Mary T. Carpenter, of Westchester county, has been sold by her to William P. Austin, who will reopen the quarries and utilize the fine growth of timber, which covers nearly 800 acres of the tract. Mrs. Carpenter received a handsome advance on the $7,600 which she paid for the property.

Thrall Hospital's Calendar.

Dr. Lewis, a prominent physician of Buffalo, chanced to see a copy of Thrall Hospital calendar, and was so pleased with it that he has ordered several copies. The calendar has had a large sale, but there are still some unsold copies which may be had at several of the city stores. They make admirable Christmas gifts and by buying them you help a worthy charity.

His Finger Crushed.

Brakeman Daniel F. Buckbee, of the Erie's New York Division, had the first finger of his right hand crushed on Tuesday night while making a coupling at Guyuard. He was treated at the Port Jervis hospital.

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The series of meetings which has been held in the Methodist Church, at Hamden, for over three weeks have closed, except on Tuesday evening of each week. Over 40 conversions are reported.

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SNYDER—BAILEY—Wednesday, Dec 21, at 7 p. m., by Frank Arthur Heath, at the residence of the bride's parents on Monhagen avenue, Wilbertie Snyder and Miss Ida May Bailey, both of this city.

DIED.

DILL—At rest, at 338 W. 19th street, New York city Dec. 21st, '98, Aubie M. Harding, wife of John Dill aged fifty two years.

Funeral services will be held at the Old School Baptist Church New Vernon, Friday, at one o'clock. Funeral party arriving at James street Erie depot, at 11:25 a. m. Interment in family plot there.

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